

Police found human bones on woman's horse farm

Police believe the remains to be those of Tewksbury's Kenneth Countie

By BEVERLEY WANG
Associated Press Writer

GOFFSTOWN, N.H. (AP) - Investigators searching the farm of a woman accused of murdering her boyfriend, Kenneth Countie (originally from Tewksbury, most recently from Wilmington) and burning his body say they found human bones in a Wal-Mart bag, bone fragments in a burn pile and his blood in her

house, according to court documents.

They also found Sheila LaBarre holding a gun and covered in soot and ashes outside her house, saying she had been up all night and pleading, "Please kill me." When asked where Kenneth Countie was, she said he was "in the bag," pointing to the Wal-Mart bag nearby.

A court affidavit released Tuesday outlines what was found on the 115-acre horse ranch in

the case of LaBarre, who's been charged with first-degree murder in the death of Countie, 24. Authorities said they were able to match Countie's DNA with blood found at the farm, including on a knife, but stopped short of saying whether their evidence pointed to the possibility of other remains found there.

A notebook found on the farm, for example, was dated July 1, 2005, and included a sketch of

what looked like a body with details such as "110 pounds, 5'4" and an itemized list, including "incinerated burned ashes," "bury" and "DEATH" according to the affidavit prepared by Sgt. Robert Estabrook of the New Hampshire State Police's Major Crime Unit. Investigators believe another note, "Daniel 3," refers to the Bible chapter containing multiple mentions of a

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Support Our Troops license plates

Portion of funds will benefit Wilmington's Local Heroes

By CHARLEY VALLAS

WILMINGTON - The New England Caring For Our Military Inc. (NECFOM), wishes to thank those who have already ordered their Support Our Troops license plates and



is encouraging others to order theirs. This license plate is the brainchild of James (Jim) Serego-Wareing, the Director of NECFOM with the intended purpose being to raise money for local organizations that support our troops overseas, such as Wilmington's Local

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Kidsplace making a comeback

Meeting for public input on May 4

By VICTORIA ELLSWORTH

WILMINGTON - On Saturday, April 22nd, Wilmington Town Meeting members unanimously approved an article to appropriate \$50,000 in the Fiscal Year 2007 budget to reconstruct the playground at the Shawsheen School. This appropriation represents about one-third of the estimated cost.

It is expected that private donations and available receipts in the Recreation fund will account for the balance needed to construct a modern playground that will comply with all accessibility and safety standards," states Town Manager Michael Cairra. Already the fund-raising efforts of Bob Bryant, owner of Bryant Glass, are paying off. In February Bryant started an account with Danvers Savings bank for the Shawsheen Playground Rebuild Project.

"We have about \$3,000 raised so far and we're still working

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Wilmington Town Meeting



Members of the Wilmington Minuteman Company carried Old Glory in to start Wilmington's Annual Town Meeting Saturday morning. Leading with the company guidon is Mike Bodner, followed by Bill Robinson, Sgt. Bill Hitchcock (hidden) carrying Old Glory, Capt. Mike Kelley with the Massachusetts flag, and Sgt. Frank West. In the rear are Lt. Stu Neilson and 1st Cannon Officer Andrew MacVicker. (Paul Chinappi photo)

Town Meeting results

Butters Farm, 129 Foodmart, and NACOD

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Residents participated in the purest form of democracy during Wilmington's Annual Town Meeting on Saturday, April 22nd and determined the fate of 39 articles.

Residents looked to Wilmington's past and took part in determining its future by saving the Butters Farm and by providing funding for a study that will lead to the construction of a fire sub-station in North Wilmington. The proposal for a Neighborhood Activity Center Overlay District in North Wilmington was defeated, and the successful rezoning of a parcel of land will pave the way for an expansion of the build-

ments and the ever-growing unfunded pension liability issues that loom over all communities in the Commonwealth.

The first significant debate of the day surrounded Article

ties needs study that shall include an assessment of space requirements for the purpose of constructing a new fire sub-station in North Wilmington. Additionally, the study would conduct an

assessment of space requirements for the Public Buildings Department, the Department of Public Works, and would evaluate potential sites for all

Selectman Suzanne Sullivan felt that the study should not include studies of space requirements for municipal buildings other than the fire substation. She intended to vote against the article for that reason, despite her desire for a fire substation in North

Wilmington. "I do not want to see the fire substation used as a bargaining chip

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The original 'Good Guy' gets his due

Fishing pier named in honor of Rocco V. DePasquale

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Thanks to Article 18 at the Annual Town Meeting, Silver Lake's recently constructed fishing pier has been officially named 129 Food Mart on after Wilmington's original Good Guy, the late Rocco DePasquale.

The lake, which is stocked every year, is used by the town budget of \$68,052,669 for fiscal year 2007 was adopted following some discussion of the funding of various depart-

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Wilmington welcomes Sharon George

New Town Clerk digs in

By VICTORIA ELLSWORTH

WILMINGTON - There's a new sheriff in town. Well, okay, not really. But there is a new Town Clerk Sharon George.

Ms. George started in Wilmington on March 13th, just in time for Election Season here in town. "I felt like it was induction by fire," chuckles George. "I was here four weeks and then the election. But Kay

Scanlon was wonderful. I spent three weeks with her. She showed me the ins and outs of Wilmington. Phyllis and Carolyn have been wonderful too."

A resident of Gloucester, George is no stranger to municipal government. In the seven years she worked for the City of Gloucester, she spent the first four and a half working as Clerk of Committees serving the City Council before being promoted to Assistant City Clerk.

Originally from Somerville, Ms. George received her Associate's Degree from Bunker Hill College. She's

LPN and medical transcriptionist for the Melrose Wakefield Hospital, Winchester Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital where she met her husband John. She moved to Gloucester 20 years ago after they married.

She continues to live in Gloucester. Her husband works for the city in Grounds Maintenance. She has two chil-

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From the City of Gloucester to the Town of Wilmington, Sharon George is learning her way around town and looks forward to getting to know the residents.

Maureen Lamoureux photo

Community dren: Erin, 16 and a junior at Gloucester High School and

His bark worse than his bite?

Innovative training methods come to Wilmington

By VICTORIA ELLSWORTH

WILMINGTON - Have you felt frustrated or angry because your dog doesn't seem to pay attention to you? Have you been embarrassed by your dog's behavior? Have you tried everything to solve a difficult or sensitive issue and nothing seems to be working? Are you, quite simply, at wit's end? How would you like to be able to fix any such behavioral problems, permanently, in roughly 2 to 3 hours? That's the eyebrow-raising promise from Bark Busters and Wilmington resident Steve Bonaccorsi, as one of Bark Busters' newest franchisees, has recently brought that promise to town.

A 1984 graduate of Wilmington High School, Bonaccorsi worked as a person-

al trainer for twenty years and as a physical therapist for ten. When the family dog Dakota needed some training, the Bonaccorsi discovered Bark Busters and a new career. "I wanted my own business. I love people. I love dogs. This is the perfect thing for me."

How does the training work? Bark Busters' training technique leverages the same communications methods, body language and voice control that dogs follow as part of their instinctual pack mentality. All training takes place right in the home where the problems occur. According to Bonaccorsi, this holistic training approach can successfully train any dog in about two hours.

Can Bark Busters really train

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Justin O'Neil Day

All are invited to help celebrate the life of a fallen youth

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third annual Justin O'Neil Day.

Justin was 16 years old and a junior at WHS when tragically struck down on January 6, 2004.

The community came together to celebrate the life of Justin on June 13, 2004 for a day packed with family activities, including a three-mile race/walk.

In 2005, the year that Justin was scheduled to graduate from high school, the event was even bigger, resulting in \$8,000 worth of scholarship money awarded to Wilmington graduating seniors from the Justin Andrew O'Neil Memorial Scholarship Fund.

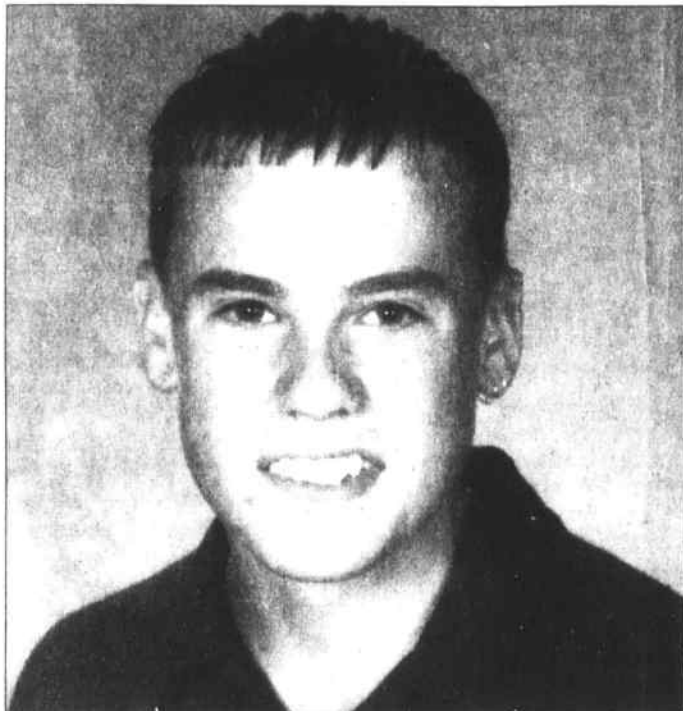
This year, the event will take place on Sunday, May 21, 2006.

Jimmies Homemade Ice Cream. Sponsor sheets may also be picked up at the registration table on the day of the race.

The race will go on, rain or shine.

The O'Neil family is inviting one and all to come and help celebrate Justin's life.

"We hope that everyone will come out and join us on May 21st and we especially look forward to seeing all of Justin's friends and classmates," said Cheri O'Neil, Justin's mother. "The entire community has reached out to us in so many ways during such difficult times. We look forward to spending the day with our



Justin Andrew O'Neil

(courtesy photo)

In addition to the 3-mile walk/run, those attending will be treated to all kinds of family-oriented events and activities, including such things as a Moon Walk, spin art, balloon walk, face painting, cotton candy, slush, a big family cookout, and the sounds of DJ Donnie Heenan.

The Walk/Run will begin at 1:15 p.m. with registration taking place at 12:30. There will be a modest \$15 registration fee for adults. There will be no fee for participating children 12 years old or younger.

The race, which is not intended as a competition, but rather a spirited walk will begin at the Wilmington High School tennis courts. Last year's three-mile course wound around Wildwood Street, Federal Street, Middlesex Avenue and left walkers and runners right back on the Common.

Sponsor sheets, while not required, are currently available at the Recreation Department at Town Hall, Elia's Country Store and

friends and with the friends we'll be meeting for the first time on Sunday."

All proceeds from this weekend will benefit the Justin Andrew O'Neil Scholarship Fund. The O'Neil family will choose scholarship recipients and will consider grades, strength of character, service to the community, and strength of leadership as determining factors.

"It will be someone with the same qualities that Justin had," Cheri said. "We hope that the scholarship can be given out for years to come to honor Justin's memory. We want to keep the scholarship going as a tribute to the zest for life that Justin had."

Tewksbury Lions Club to offer scholarships

The Tewksbury Lions Club is pleased to announce that we will again be offering ten (10) \$1,000.00 scholarships to qualified High School Seniors. Any student, who is a resident of Tewksbury, graduating with the Class of 2006 and has been accepted to attend an accredited College or University beginning in September 2006, is qualified and encouraged to apply for a scholarship.

Scholarships will be awarded based on financial need, community service, scholastic achievement and the content of a short essay on "We Serve", the Lions' motto. Applications can be obtained through your school Guidance Office, The Bradford Lantern Cafe at 853 Main Street, Tewksbury, or Olympic Trophy at 725 Main Street, Tewksbury.

The deadline for submitting a completed application is Monday, May 8, 2006. Successful applicants will be notified via mail and the scholarships will be awarded at the June 14th meeting of the Tewksbury Lions Club.

The Tewksbury Lions Club is Proud to be a part of the Tewksbury Community and to have this opportunity to support our local youth - the promise of our future.

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OPINION



From: The Editors Desk

by Stephen P. Bjork

Stealing candy from a baby

Tewksbury will hold the first half of its Annual Town Meeting on Monday evening, a strange concept to those familiar with Wilmington's practice of holding Town Meeting on a Saturday. Wilmington's Annual Town Meeting was held this past Saturday, as a matter of fact. It was scheduled to begin at 7:00 a.m., but was delayed some fifteen minutes due to a lack of quorum. What is considered a quorum for Town Meeting in Wilmington, a town boasting a population of 22,000 with 14,000 registered voters? A paltry one hundred and fifty registered voters must be present in order to start town meeting.

The number of residents participating in last Saturday's Town Meeting barely topped 200 at any point during the day. Imagine that? The future of your community, for years to come, was shaped by barely one percent of the populace. Why do so few residents participate?

Pathy is, perhaps, the biggest factor, but the method can't be helping either. Saturday's meeting ran 10 hours. How many American adults are able - never mind willing - to give up an entire Saturday to uncomfortable folding chairs and endless, often repetitious, debate?

Tewksbury has got the right idea. Their Annual Town Meeting begins at 8:00 p.m. on Monday evening and cannot, according to their bylaws, extend past 11:00 p.m. Residents attending are very well aware of the time restrictions, and those restrictions often appear to influence the time spent debating issues.

The second half of Tewksbury's Annual Town Meeting is convened two days later on Wednesday evening, and it often finishes all business well before the 11:00 p.m. deadline. A Special Town Meeting, when necessary, is often scheduled to take place on the Tuesday in between. Such a schedule provides a number of benefits: residents are guaranteed a time-line, they are made aware of which day each article will be taken up, and perhaps best of all - no one has to give up a whole Saturday.

True, Tewksbury generally holds off on approving its town budget until an additional Special Town Meeting held in June, but the budget is rarely the subject of more than an hour or so worth of debate.

Wilmington's Barbara Hooper presented an article last Saturday to move the date of Annual Town Meeting back a week, in order to remove it from conflicting with the week of school vacation. It is her contention that parents often miss Town Meeting as a result of using that week to go out of town with their families.

As her article was being discussed, Hooper commented that if she had her druthers, she would prefer town meeting take place on a weeknight. She didn't believe that such a suggestion would enjoy success. Maybe it is time to consider such a move.

Good for Barbara Hooper for taking a first step, and for making an effort to increase participation.

Whether moving the meeting back a week, in and of itself, will be successful in increasing participation remains to be seen. After all, only 236 Tewksbury residents showed up at the first half of their 2005 Annual Town Meeting. Perhaps apathy is the most powerful political party of the day in both towns. But as Selectman Suzanne Sullivan remarked while Ms. Hooper's article was being discussed after 7:00 p.m. in a nearly empty gymnasium, "It can't hurt. Look around this place." There were very few residents there to appreciate the joke.



Letters to the editor

What is 'asportation'?

Dear Editor:
Holy Attribution, Batman! The Crier has come up with a new one.

In an editor's note in the April 19 edition, SPB refers to "a reliable, but unconfirmed, source." What on earth does that mean, Stephen? Does it mean the reporter received the information by asportation? (My spell check rejects "asportation" but I know it's a word because you've used it in the police log.)

Does it mean this source is reliable but you can't confirm his or her existence - or reliability? Or did the source make his/her First Communion but not Confirmation? Or does it mean something else entirely?

My Crier subscription is expiring on May 3 but you can bet your boots I'm renewing. Where else could I learn that sources can be reliable but unconfirmed and (who knows?) maybe even undocumented?

Jack McDonough
Tewksbury
(editor's note: "shoplifting by asportation" is a phrase used by the Tewksbury Police Department when charging a suspect for the crime of shoplifting. Fortunately, there are sources, in addition to spell-check, for acquiring definitions of words. For instance, asportation is defined by www.dictionary.reference.com as, "The felonious removal of goods from the place where they were deposited.")

The source our reporter relied on for her story was, as time has evidenced, quite reliable, but she was not able to obtain a statement on the record prior to press deadline.

We're thrilled to have retained you as a reader for another year and we'll be happy to provide you with assistance as additional word definitions as needed. - SPB)



The Family Therapist

by Anthony Ferrara

The High Cost of Honesty

We are faced with moral decisions every day of our lives. We have the choice of giving or taking away from our society and fellow man. Every person has the choice of lying, or telling the truth. Where do we stand? Are we guilty of giving wrong information, exaggerating, or leaving out information to avoid the truth? These manipulations make it easier to deceive our fellow man. Our culture encourages lies that can profit the businessman and those who wish to deceive us. The small print and legal terms are many times not understood by the average person. A sophisticated sales person can distort the truth causing the buyer to be taken. Sadly, most scams and injustices are legal. If you don't read and understand the small print on your life insurance policy you may not receive the amount that the policy states. After paying a lifetime many policies will pay less at an older age, when death is near.

These vultures seek out the sucker who is always available. Who are these victims? They are usually the beautiful people who would never hurt a soul. They feel others are like themselves. That is why they trust others to give them the

same respect. Often it's the uneducated and older people. "Buyer beware" has a greater meaning than ever. We can no longer depend on a man's word or a handshake in making a business deal. There are so few businesspeople who reach out to help their customer if they know there is an injustice. Many seem to eliminate honesty, justice, and caring. After all there is less profit in being honest. If anything, honesty could cost the good guy money.

With the decline of morality, righteousness, love and respect are diminished. The guilt of injustice has less meaning. Making money becomes the primary goal. For many, honesty is brushed aside. After all, there is no financial gain for honesty. When we lose our belief in a greater power and the moral teachings of our parents, we lose responsibility. If a person doesn't care and feels no greater power is watching, why not cheat? This injustice will never be known. However, the victim will know by the pain it causes.

Our culture is changing because of this non-caring attitude. Dishonesty and cheating can be very profitable. If there is a touch of

guilt, monetary advancement takes away the pain. In speaking to a college professor, he told me most of his students did not have the pride of accomplishment. Passing exams was the ultimate and only goal. Cheating, lying and complaining were acceptable to attain their degree.

At this time the honest person deserves the greatest praise and recognition. That extra thanks, a special note, even a tip would help recognize their honesty. Most of us are quick to complain, and condemn injustice. This same energy and involvement should be directed toward the positive. We have to stop this not caring attitude before we lose our integrity and responsibility.

There are some individuals who need no praise or recognition for their good deeds. They know they have done the right thing. Their inner satisfaction is enough. They find a spiritual glow that the thief will never know. Some choose not to call it spiritual or a belief in god. Nevertheless their goodness is no less worthy. They are not concerned about how much they could have made. To do otherwise these individuals would suffer the pain of confusion and con-

flict. Their purity of thought makes them free. If the con- niver had the same moral fiber, he might choose properly. People can be so different.

Why are there so many individuals who steal from their own society? What causes mechanics to overcharge and charge for work not done? And there are doctors who have sworn allegiance to their patients while charging insurance companies for services not rendered.

We all know it's for monetary gain. More money brings a better home, a new car, and many more luxuries. They have everything to gain, unless they are caught. Even if they are, chances are the punishment will be minor. Why not take the chance.

If being honest has no future reward, why deprive yourself of the gain? Those who truly believe in God believe in a future reward and punishment. This belief produces good people and makes a better society. This country is in great danger because people are losing their responsibility for the greater good of their society. When individuals believe they are the last word, we have anarchy of the worst kind.



This and That

by Maria Harrison

It's Springtime - that wonderful time of year when we open our eyes on a bright Saturday morning to see sun streaming through our windows. We quickly roll out of bed and rush to the back door, fling the door open and take a deep breath of that sweet springtime air. Then, we look around our yards and run screaming back to the bedroom and under the covers. After a few moments, we slowly crawl out from behind the safety of our beds and walk back to the open door. A large sigh fills our lungs and hisses through our nose. We stare at the rake now attached to the shed by cobwebs because we somehow forgot to actually put it in the shed before the first snowfall. Then the true reality of the moment grabs hold as visions of playing ball or going shopping vanish - there's no getting around it. We have to "do the yard."

As we peruse winter's damage in the form of twigs, leaves, branches, leaves, bottles, leaves, bits of paper from who knows where, leaves, plastic bottles from the same place the bits of paper and more leaves, the bitterness sets in. Our once happy mood is now filled with the dread of spending a glorious Saturday stuffing leaves into bags the size of a small person. With another large sigh, slumped shoulders and our heads hanging down, we curse as we kick at the dirt and rocks on our way to snatch the rake from it's resting place.

Didn't we say last year, we were going to get a new rake because this one saw action during the pre WWII years? Somehow, it slipped our minds. So, when we make the

first pass and three times fall from the end of the rake, we're not surprised. We know we should go to the hardware store and just get another one. But, as a big yawn takes over our senses, the thought is soon dismissed. As we stuff the leaves into the giant paper bags, every bug in a twelve mile radius goes on alert that our hands are occupied and we are helpless in the yard. We can only watch helplessly as a mosquito the size of a small Buick takes aim at our nose.

Once the yard is clean and every twig, branch and little brown leaf is neatly tucked where it should be, the hunt begins. Now where did we put that paper the town sent out about when they pick up leaves?

Hmmm...Is it in the drawer with all the pens that don't work, broken pencils, people's business cards from the stone age and 27 out of the original 52 Bicycle playing cards that we had to save? Nope, not there. We move on to the next drawer in the kitchen, pushing aside forks, spoons, butter knives...nope, not there either. Next drawer, spatula, BBQ forks, ladles, we pull out a piece of paper look at it, toss it aside but we don't throw it out because we never know when we're going to need a flyer telling us where to get colored custom made gutters, here's some rubber bands and a supply of plastic silverware, but no pick up schedule.

We walk over to the refrigerator, open the door and pull out something cold (add beverage of your choice), slam the door and watch the angel magnet that has been forever holding that dumb piece of paper to the door of the refrigerator fall to the floor. We pick up the paper from the floor and

get ready to crumple it and put it in the trash when we discover that it's the schedule. Finally, we can look up and see when the twenty-five bags it took two days to collect can be picked up. Let's see...oh no, two weeks from now!!!!

Another sigh. We go back out into the yard, and immediately start to sweat because these past two days are the only ones in April that hit 85 degrees. Tomorrow, when we go back to work, it will be a cool 72 degrees, but today, it's 85 with about 129.5% humidity. We drag all 25 bags to the back of the house. Over the next two weeks it rains every other day - not just a light sprinkle, I'm talking Noah's Ark kind of rain. Finally, the day comes. So, before work we go out into the yard and begin to drag the 25 bags of rotted leaves that smell like yesterday's diapers onto the curb in front of the house. The first bag goes easily, then the second and the third, but just when we're feeling secure, we grab that fourth bag and it's heavy paper casing gives way. Of course, there is no time to change what we were going to wear to work even though we are covered in wet, smelly leaves. After four more wet bags, we entertain the neighbors by kicking the remaining bags to the curb.

With soggy leaves covering the ground around us, we grab our coffee mugs, slip our way into our cars and drive over the lawn mower someone took out of the garage yesterday. As we pull out of the driveway, wet leaves blow from our hair out the window and we glance in the rear view mirror to see a mosquito bite on our nose that could use it's own hat. Thus begins Springtime in suburbia.



Letters to the editor

Fiore thanks the voters

Dear Editor:
Please allow me this opportunity to thank the voters who took the time to go to the polls on April 15th. I especially would like to thank the residents who placed their trust in me by casting a vote for me. I will do my very best to live

up to your expectations, and I look forward to working with the entire Board to make Wilmington an even better place to live.

Thank you, again.
Sincerely,
Charles Fiore
William Fiore

Congratulations

Dear Editor:
Congratulations and appreciation to all whose work brought the Butters Farm to Town Meeting. Special commendation to Carolyn Harris who has worked tirelessly to make it happen, and to Anne (Ethel) Butters whose Town Meeting

speech reached the hearts of every thoughtful voter who cast a favorable vote. Thanks to the Minute Men for their fund raiser and to all who cherish the unique and exceptional history of the Butters Farm.

Ann Belason
Weston, MA

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After careful deliberation, the Good Guy Committee has selected this year's Good Guy from the many nominations received. Wilmington is fortunate to have many good guys in the community, and the Committee would like to thank everyone who took the time to nominate those they felt were most deserving.

The Committee will honor this year's outstanding recipient with its 38th annual dinner, Friday, May 12, 2006, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, School Street Ext., Wilmington.

The evening will begin with a social time at 7:00 p.m. with dinner following at 8:00 p.m., followed by the awards presentation and a good-natured "roast" honoring our Good Guy. Tickets are priced at \$25.00 per person and can be purchased from the following:

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The 31st "Crafts in The Park" Andover May 13

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This juried show features the work of more than 100 crafters, many of whom are from the local Merrimack Valley area.

From Andover are: Pam Newman, "The Bead Lady", custom made jewelry Barbara Lussier, "Embroidery for All", Sewing, quilts, Amy Martin, Charmed/Gingham Designs, Yolanda Mendez, "Artworks", Dimensional Wall Hangings & Floral Designs, Fumihiko Mochizuki Full Moon Studio Clayworks", Pottery, Carla Grace Bryne, Silver & Crystal Jewelry, Susan Drew, "Sue-per Designs", Handpainted furniture, Beth Kiker, Kathy Krieger, "Friends Pottery".

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The committee is pleased to announce that this year there are several new crafters participating in the show, as well as many who have proven to be favorites in the past. Only original, hand crafted work is accepted by the committee, which is chaired by Sue Wahr of Andover, MA. Also, provided and sold by AFS volunteers will be food and beverages, face painting and music by the Mill City Jazz Band.

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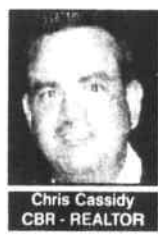
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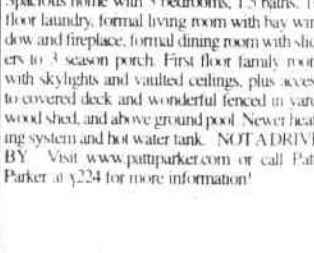
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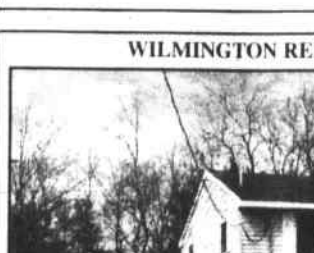
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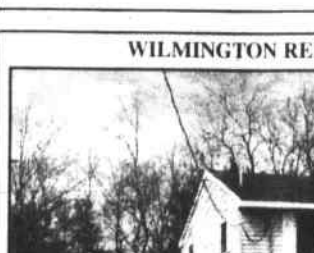
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OBITUARIES

Charles E. Bowser

Formerly on Wilmington, WWII Navy Veteran

EAST LONGMEADOW, MA - Charles E. Bowser 81, left us on Friday, April 14, 2006 to be with his only son Jamie. Chuck was born in Johnston, PA, on November 14, 1924 but he spent the best part of his life in Massachusetts. World War II and the Navy took up several years of his life as an Aviation mechanic. Chuck made friends with everyone and never refused to lend a helping hand. His kindness will not be forgotten by his friends and family. Chuck leaves behind his bride of 59

years, Norma Martin; his girls Betsy, Cathy, Debbie, Carol and Lorie. "Bampaw" leaves his greatest joys, his grandchildren Phil, Jeremy, Sarah, Matthew, Brittany, Jarrett, Chris, and Tim and his youngest loves, his great-grandchildren Chance, Cody, Desiree, Abbey and Emily. Family and friends were invited to calling hours on Monday from 5-8 at Tazzini Funeral Home. Military burial honors were held Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in the Massachusetts Veteran's Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers think about helping your local Hospice or Veteran's Hospital.

Roberta Ann London

Elementary school teacher in Wilmington

Roberta (Bobbie) London, 77, formerly of Wilmington and Brewster, MA, died Wednesday, April 19, 2006 at Ledgewood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Beverly, following a lengthy illness.

The daughter of Theodore Ware and Miriam Buck Ware Colucci, she was born at home on Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, on January 2, 1929. She married Olin M. London on May 27, 1950, in Wilmington.

Bobbie graduated from Wilmington High School, class of 1946, and graduated from Colby Junior College in New Hampshire, class of 1948, and attended Boston University. After her children started school, she returned to college, earning a Bachelor's degree and 2 Masters' Degrees in Education from Salem State College, Massachusetts. She was an elementary school teacher in Wilmington Public Schools for many years.

Following retirement, she moved to Cape Cod and operated an antiques business, until illness forced her to move to the North Shore to be closer to family. She enjoyed playing bridge, traveling to Europe, reading, and especially visiting with good friends from high school and college days.

Survivors include three daughters, Nancy London, of Boulder, Colorado, Andrea Lasman and husband Daniel, of Essex, Eileen London, of

Beverly; and son, Olin London III & wife, Stephanie, of Old Hickory, Tennessee; 8 grandchildren and one great-grand-



child; one cousin, Nancy (Buck) Gelotti of New London, NH.

She was predeceased by her husband Olin London in November 2005; her parents; step-father Steven Colucci; sister Priscilla (Ware) Parthenis; and an infant daughter.

Visiting hours will be held at Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Friday afternoon, April 28 from 2-4 pm. Burial in Wildwood Cemetery will be private. Memorial donations in Roberta's name may be made to Hospice of the North Shore, 10 Elm St., Danvers, MA 01923.

Rita F. Longo

Devoted communicant of St. Thomas of Villanova Church

Mrs. Rita F. (Donovan) Longo, 81, of Nevada, formerly of Wilmington, died April 21, 2006, at the Del Mar Gardens



military during WWII. She married Anthony Longo. They moved to Wilmington, MA, in 1954, settling on Marion St. for many years. Anthony died in 1977.

Rita & Anthony were married for over 30 years and together they raised 4 children as well as many foster children, during a ten year period when they were foster parents for Catholic Charities.

Rita was a devoted communicant of St. Thomas of Villanova Church, where she was also the housekeeper at the rectory for many years.

Rita was the devoted mother of Richard Longo & his wife Mary of Massachusetts, Michael Longo & his wife Sandra, and Anthony Longo, Jr., & his wife Sue all of Nevada, loving grandmother of 8 grandchildren & 12 great-grandchildren. Rita was also mother of the late Peggy Longo and sister of the late Eileen Donovan.

Her funeral services will be held from the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Friday morning at 10:30 followed by a Mass at St. Thomas Church at 11:30 a.m. Interment will take place in the family lot in Wildwood Cemetery.

Police warn consumers about Bedford Lending Group

Since the middle of March, the town of Bedford and the police have received several reports from around the country reporting a scam involving a company named the Bedford Lending Group. The company claims its offices are located at a fictitious address of 6 Mudge Way in Bedford. This company has a website, bedfordlending-group.com and typically offers personal loans at attractive interest rates to people with poor or troubled credit histories.

The victims of the scam usually fill out an application online, within a few weeks receive a call from an individual usually identified as Anthony Morrison who usually has other financial information about the applicant. Morrison notifies them that they have been approved for the loan amount but must first pay several collateral payments up

front. The company tells the victims that when the company receives the money the loan amount will be disbursed within 24-48 hours or 3-5 days. The collateral payments have ranged from \$800 - \$3,000. The victims are e-mailed a verification letter and agreement and instructed to send the collateral money to Canada via Western Union.

The victims have sent the money to different provinces in Canada. After the money is received, the victims typically receive a call from the Bedford Lending Group indicating that their loan application had been re-evaluated by a private lender and are required to submit additional collateral payments before the money can be released. This can go on and on depending on the victim. Several victims related that the company is registered with the Better Business Bureau.

Volunteer with Homeless Children

Horizons for Homeless Children is seeking fun-loving, dependable people to play and develop relationships with children living in family homeless shelters in Northeastern Massachusetts. A commitment of one 2-hour shift per week is required for at least 6 months.

Our next training will be held on Tuesday, May 16th and Wednesday, May 17th from 6 to 9 pm. For more information about the program, or to register for a training, please visit www.horizonsforhomelesschildren.org or call 978-557-2182.

Margaret R. Sacco

St. William's Parishioner; 63

TEWKSBURY - Margaret Rose (Sacco) Sacco, age 63, died Wednesday afternoon, April 19, at her home, after a courageous two year battle with cancer. She was the wife of Joseph E. Sacco, with whom she had celebrated a 43rd wedding anniversary this past October 28th.

She was born in Brockton, on June 19, 1942, a daughter of the late John and Marjorie (Baron) Sacco. She was raised in Everett and attended Everett schools. She had lived in Tewksbury since 1970.

She was employed in electronic manufacturing and assembly throughout the greater Boston area.

Mrs. Sacco had been a communicant of St. William's Church since moving to Tewksbury.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Jacqueline Albert and her husband Stephen of Salem, NH; a son, Michael Sacco of Tewksbury; two grandchildren, Stephen and Maria Albert; a sister and brother-in-law, Carol McCulloch and her husband Richard of Everett; many brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews.

She was also mother of the late Joseph A. Sacco and sister

of the late John Sacco.

Her funeral will be held Saturday, April 22, at 9:00 a.m. from the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and



Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851-2950. Her funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday at 10:00 a.m. in St. William's Church, 1351 Main St. (Rte 38) Tewksbury. Visiting hours Friday 4 to 7 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, No. Tewksbury. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101, will be appreciated. www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com <<http://www.tewksburyfuneralhome.com>>

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Sculpture Demonstration featuring Diane Francis

The Tewksbury Community of Artists is sponsoring a Sculpture Demonstration on Thursday, April 27, 2006, 6:30pm at The Green Room, Tewksbury Hospital, 354 East Street (behind the Old Chapel off Chapel Road). Open to the public. Come learn about portrait heads. This is a hands on demo with clay. Learn about face expression, proportions and

create your own little head. Members: free and Non-members: \$3.

The Sculpture Demonstration will be feature the talent of Diane Francis, a member of the Tewksbury Community of Artists, accomplished artist and teacher.

For more information, please visit www.tewksbury.info/tca

Demand for blood products increasing American Red Cross and Wilmington community team up to boost blood supply

The uncertainty of the times in which we live require a new commitment to maintain a 5-10 day community blood supply.

That's why the Wilmington Community, and the American Red Cross are teaming up to help ensure that a safe and adequate blood supply is available when needed. Please continue supporting your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers by donating blood on Tuesday, May 16, 2006 at Masonic Hall, 32 Church Street, Wilmington. Donor hours are 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The fact is, nearly 1,600 units of blood are needed each day to help those in need right here in our own community. It is a challenge to collect enough blood to

meet the needs of hospital patients year round.

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Anyone 17 years of age or older, weighing 110 pounds or more and feeling in good health may be eligible to donate blood. Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE

(1-800-448-3543) with any questions about donating blood, or visit their website at: www.newenglandblood.org.

Middlesex Canal Association Spring Walk Sunday

The Middlesex Canal Association holds two walks along good stretches of canal each year - spring and fall. This spring the walk will be held in Woburn. This is an opportunity to learn about the oldest traction canal in the United States, which was dug by hand and covers 27.3 miles from Boston to Lowell.

On Sunday, April 30, 2006 a level, 3-mile walk will begin at

the Ramada Inn parking lot. From Rte. 95/128 exit 35 in Woburn. Take Rte 38 south to the Middlesex Canal Drive (first Rt.) past the Ramada Inn to the SE side of the parking lot. We will meet at 1:30 p.m. rain or shine. Wear good walking shoes and dress appropriately. For additional information please call Roger Hagopian (781-861-7868)

OBITUARIES

Irene B. Taylor Worked for Compugraphic and AGFA

Mrs. Irene B. (Suleski) Taylor, 80, of Wilmington, formerly of Lynn, died Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at the Winchester Hospital.

Mrs. Taylor was born December 13, 1925, in Lynn, MA, she was the daughter of the late William & Agnes (Petrovski) Suleski.

Irene grew up in Lynn and was educated there, she moved to Wilmington in 1969, where she resided until her death.

She was an active member of the Wilmington Senior Citizens Center, she participated in exercise programs as well as being very active with the Christmas Bazaar.

Prior to retirement, Irene worked as an assembler for the Compugraphic and AGFA companies in Wilmington for many years.

Irene was the beloved wife of the late Alan C. Taylor, devoted mother of Dennis Kleinsasser, Christopher Taylor & his fiancé Noelle, loving grandmother of

Nicole Marotta all of Wilmington, dear sister of Daniel Suleski of Lynn, Helen



Winkiewicz of Saugus and the late Edward Suleski, she is also survived by 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Taylor took place Friday, April 21, at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc. Interment took place in the family lot at Wildwood Cemetery.

Donald O. Underwood Service department supervisor for Colonial Gas

BEDFORD - Donald O. Underwood of Lowell died Sunday, April 23, 2006 at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Bedford. He was the husband of 54 years to Theresa "Terry" (Bolduc) Underwood who survives him. Born in Lowell, he was the son of the late George T. and Rose (Duggan) Underwood. Mr. Underwood was a life long member of Sacred Heart Parish, a graduate of Sacred Heart School. He was also president of the Sacred Heart Band Boosters. He was a graduate of Keith Academy and spent many years involved in the Lowell Babe Ruth League. During the Korean conflict Mr. Underwood served with the United States Navy. He had worked for the Colonial Gas for 27 years and retired as service department supervisor. Before working for the Colonial Gas Company he was employed by the Boston Auto Supply.

He currently maintained membership in Sacred Heart Retiree Assoc and the Lowell Lodge of Elks Post 87. Surviving Mr. Underwood besides his wife are his daughter Carol Ann (Jordanhazy) Manthorn and Deputy Chief Patrick Manthorn of Hampton NH, two sons: Michael and Janice (Nazzaro) Underwood of Wilmington and Kenneth and Karen (Finnegan) Underwood of Westford, four grandchildren, Nicholas, Danielle, Christopher and Jordon Underwood, two sisters, Mary Ryan and her husband Frank and Marilyn Connolly and her husband Joe. He was the brother of the late

band Frank and Marilyn Connolly and her husband Joe. He was the brother of the late



George Thomas and Bernard Underwood and the father in Law of the late Eugene F. Jordanhazy.

Mr. Underwood's funeral will be Friday morning, at 10 o'clock from the Pat McCabe Funeral Home 166 Moor Street Lowell followed by a funeral mass at the Holy Family Church, St. Marie's Church, 8 o'clock. Friends may call at the funeral home and a private burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery, East Chelmsford.

Memorial Contributions may be made in his memory to the Voluntary Service of the Green Foundation Mail to: ENRMMA Hospital, 200 Springs Road, Bedford, Mass 01730.

Funeral Directors: McCabe & Son 978-450-9222

Tewksbury - Annual Town Meeting Monday

The Annual Town Meeting begins Monday, May 1, at 8:00 p.m. and is divided into three sections.

Section 1 is the Annual Town Election which was held and accomplished on Saturday, April 1st.

Section 2 begins on Monday, May 1, at 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Section 2 includes the Consent Calendar articles, the annual budget, budget related articles and personnel by-law amendments. When Section 2 is completed, and if Section 2 is completed before 11:00 p.m., the

Annual Town Meeting shall adjourn to Wednesday, May 3, at 8:00 p.m. to act on the Section 3 articles, which includes the zoning by-law amendments, town by-law amendments and any general articles. If Section 3 is not completed by 11:00 p.m. the Annual Town Meeting shall adjourn to Thursday, May 4, at 8:00 p.m.

A Special Town Meeting has been called for Wednesday, May 3, and begins at 7:00 pm. There are 17 Special Town Meeting Warrant articles to be acted upon.

Single Squares "Hobo Dance"

Single Squares will host a "Hobo Dance" on Sunday, May 7, 2006 from 2-5 in the afternoon at St. Anthony's Hall 1020 Main St., Woburn, MA. Mainstream with 2 pl tips with caller John Hendron and cuer Barbara

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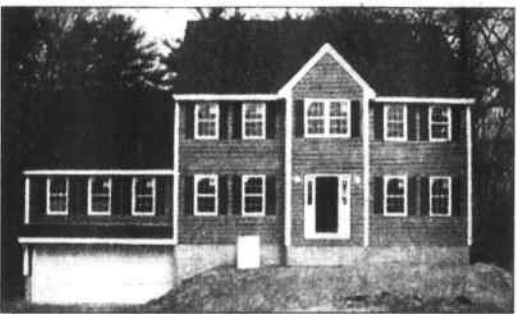
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Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, April 17
11:12 a.m.
A 14 year-old Blease Drive resident was bitten by a neighborhood dog.

4:48 p.m. A previously terminated employee was attempting to take paperwork from the office of a business at 1360 Main Street.

Tuesday, April 18

11:22 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 133 North Street.

1:47 p.m. Two 13 year-old youths were caught shoplifting at a business at 1875 Main Street. The youths were transported home by police officers.

2:26 p.m. A hit-and-run motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1751 Main Street.

Wednesday, April 19

Throughout the day, Tewksbury police fielded reports of multiple vehicles on Independence Avenue, Old Boston Road, Apache Way, Birchwood Road, Mohawk Drive, Armistice Road, Memorial Drive, and Leisa G. Drive having been burglarized.

Lauriana Mary Dorian, 41, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 365 East Street and was charged with failing to stay within marked lanes of travel and possession of a Class A substance.

Mark S. Brouillette, 19, of Billerica, was arrested in the vicinity of 211 Pine Street and was charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol and illegally possessing a Class B substance.

Thursday, April 20

6:24 a.m. Several residences on Heather Row reported vehicles having been burglarized overnight.

7:00 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in

the vicinity of 10 Main Street.

11:33 a.m. Several residential mailboxes were damaged maliciously overnight on Cleghorn Lane and Crest Road.

11:37 p.m. A vehicle parked at a residence on William G Drive was burglarized, resulting in the theft of a cell phone.

2:24 p.m. An 11 year-old female was approached by a man driving a brown Jeep. The man reportedly asked her to accompany him to a location in the vicinity of Oliver Street. The girl ran home and notified her parents.

4:51 p.m. A home on Hood Road was burglarized.

8:30 p.m. Police responded to Tewksbury Hospital at 365 East Street for a report of an assault having occurred at the Old Chapel.

9:23 p.m. A Young Street resident reported seeing a man on the resident's porch staring into the kitchen.

Ronald Boire, 37, of Woburn, was arrested and charged with larceny over \$250.

Friday, April 21

5:37 a.m. A Water Street resident reported that a car window was smashed during the night.

1:20 p.m. A stolen motor vehicle was recovered in a swamp behind Bligh Street.

9:02 p.m. A parked vehicle was hit in the vicinity of 540 Main Street.

10:46 p.m. A male was reported knocking on the door and trying to get into the garage at 1445 Main Street.

Richard Scott Bates, 31, of Billerica, was arrested and charged with the unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Saturday, April 22

8:24 a.m. A vanity license plate was stolen from a vehicle parked at a residence on South Street.

9:10 a.m. A shed belonging to a Foster Road residence was burglarized resulting in the theft of several items.

10:07 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of Pond Street.

10:21 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 875 East Street.

12:18 p.m. A Pine Street resident reported his belief that a neighbor was attempting to steal items from his backyard.

8:57 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 10 Main Street.

Dawn Marie Kenney, 25, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 10 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

Michael Arpin, 17, of Billerica, was arrested in the vicinity of 423 Kendall Road and was charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol.

Christian Murray, 17, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 423 Kendall Road and was charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance.

Sunday, April 23

2:41 a.m. An unknown party threw a milk can through the front window of a residence on Manor Hill Road.

3:55 a.m. A residence on Hillman Street was burglarized resulting in the theft of a safe containing guns.

10:18 a.m. A multiple motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1130 East Street.

12:43 a.m. A car parked at a residence on Brown Street was burglarized, resulting in the theft of a navigation system.

3:25 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident involving a rollover occurred on Route 495 North. MedFlight was dispatched and transported one injured party.



Wilmington Police Log

Monday, April 17

12:22 a.m.

A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of Scaltrito Drive.

11:49 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 668 Main Street.

4:45 p.m. A resident of Houghton Road reported an incident of indecent exposure and of lewd and lascivious behavior. According to the report, a male living next door pulled down his pants and exposed himself to the caller and to her children.

4:58 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 230 Lowell Street.

9:42 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 10 Burt Road.

Edgar Chavez-Mendez, 24, of Lynn, was stopped by police in the vicinity of 1 Richmond Street and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle while having no license in his possession and operating an unregistered and uninsured motor vehicle.

Ryan Thomas, 19, of Billerica, was arrested in the vicinity of 1 Richmond Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle after the revocation of his driver's license.

Tuesday, April 18

2:05 a.m. A man with no clothes on was reported riding a bike down the road in the vicinity of the Shawsheen School heading toward Billerica.

9:04 a.m. Malicious damage to a construction vehicle was reported on Denault Drive.

11:49 a.m. An attempted breaking and entering was reported at a residence on Woburn Street.

12:58 p.m. Shoplifting of liquid cold-medicines was reported at the Cumberland Farms located at 205 Main Street.

1:06 p.m. A resident of North Street reported that \$1,300, which had been kept in a bag within a closet of the home, was now missing.

8:53 p.m. Malicious damage to a residence was reported on Carson Avenue.

Wednesday, April 19

7:39 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 212 Main Street.

9:42 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident, involving a town-owned vehicle, occurred in the vicinity of 2 Adelaide Street.

10:20 a.m. Malicious damage to a residence was reported on Draper Drive when it was discovered that a rock had been thrown through a picture window of a vacant house.

7:53 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Tanner Road.

7:57 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 187 Middlesex Avenue.

8:22 p.m. A simple assault and battery of a juvenile by another juvenile was reported on Cunningham Street.

10:18 p.m. Malicious damage to a residence was reported on

Lawrence Street.

11:05 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Woburn Street and Wildwood Street.

Carl Drass, 36, of Medford, was arrested by police in the vicinity of 1 Pleasant Road and was charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license.

Thursday, April 20

1:27 p.m. A cement lawn ornament was stolen from the front yard of a residence on Lowell Street.

5:36 p.m. A residence on Brand Avenue was burglarized.

Friday, April 21

9:37 a.m. A bicycle was stolen from a residence on Mystic Avenue.

10:39 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 316 Lowell Street.

Peter Batian, 29, of 26 Princeton Street in Medford, was arrested in the vicinity of 1 Federal Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs.

Saturday, April 22

2:08 p.m. A residence on Faulkner Avenue was burglarized of two books from the mailbox.

10:03 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 785 Woburn Street.

Sunday, April 23

9:15 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Interstate 93.

Reading Civic Band plays Mother's Day Concert

The Reading Civic Concert Band is preparing their Spring concert, which this year will fall on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. The band is conducted by Reading resident Lucinda Ellert. The musical selections for each RCCB concert season are drawn from a broad theme, and this Spring, the theme will be "Humor in Music". Peices will range from the sublime, (such as Gustav Holst's jolly "Jupiter", and Shostakovich's "Tahiti Trot"), to the familiar, ("Looney Tunes Overture", Spike Jones, & "Instant Concert"), to the just-plain-silly, such as P.D.Q. Bach's "Grand Serenade for an Awful Lot of Winds and Percussion". This last peice is proving to be the most interesting challenge to the band in their rehearsals; Although the RCCB already has an awful lot of winds, the percussion section is not yet sufficiently awful. However, since the band meets to rehearse every Monday evening, (at Reading's First Congregational Church, on Sanborn Street),

there is reason to hope that by May 14th, the playlist will be polished and ready to make every Mom proud.

The Mother's Day concert will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the new auditorium of the Wood End School. This school is located on Sunset Rock Lane, just off of Franklin Street on the North side of Reading. Admission to the concert is \$12.00 for adults, \$8.00 for students and seniors, and children under 12 are admitted free.

The Reading Civic Concert Band, is a non-profit organization, composed of both amateur musicians and professionals, both retirees and students, united by their love of good music. The band plays 4 regular concerts a year, and is also available for fund-raisers and community events, (such as "Friends and Family Day", and last month's "Music and Meatballs" event hosted by the First Congregational Church). Beside the ever-popular marches and show-tunes, RCCB celebrates the

wide diversity of American band music, old and new. Concerts often include offerings from classical and Baroque, early American dances and folk music, ragtime, swing, and contemporary composers. For example, at their Winter concert, RCCB was delighted to present the world premier of a composition by Stanley Hoffman, for wind ensemble and Cantor, entitled "Selections from 'Song of Songs'".

Current band members are drawn equally from both Reading, and from surrounding towns, and there is no fee to join. The band is still looking to recruit members, and anybody interested in joining are invited to contact Lucinda Ellert, or the band Chairman, Keith Pedersen, both of Reading. If you love to play, bring your instrument to the next rehearsal. Otherwise, if you just love to listen, bring your mother to the next concert. Either way, come be a part of the local scene where Music Comes Alive.



Week of May 1 WILMINGTON SCHOOLS

Wildwood & Boutwell

Monday: Chicken teriyaki, fluffy rice, green peas, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, soup, veggie sticks, peaches.

Wednesday: Pasta with tomato sauce, cheese sticks, green beans, pears.

Thursday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, oven fries, sweet corn, applesauce.

Friday: Pizza sticks, marinara sauce, vegetable of the day, mixed fruit.

Wilmington Elementary

Monday: BBQ Rib on a roll, oven fries, sweet corn, peaches.

Tuesday: Mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, green beans, bread stick, chilled pears.

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, green peas, wheat roll, applesauce.

Thursday: Macaroni and cheese, bag of pretzels, steamed baby carrots, fresh fruit slices.

Friday: Pizza wedge, vegetable of the day, mixed fruit.

Wilmington Middle School

Monday: Cheeseburger sub, baked fries, steamed carrots, apple slices.

Tuesday: Chicken parmesan sandwich, potato wedges, green beans, peaches.

Wednesday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, oven fries, corn, peaches.

Thursday: Chicken Teriyaki, fluffy rice, oriental vegetable, mandarin oranges, fortune cookie.

Friday: Stuffed crust pizza, veggie of the day, fruit cup.

Wilmington High School

Monday: Steak and cheese sub, spicy potato wedge, sliced carrots, applesauce.

Tuesday: Pasta with choice of sauce, garlic bread, green beans, pears.

Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potato, wheat roll, green peas, cranberry sauce.

Thursday: Smokey beef burgers, oven fries, corn, peaches.

Friday: French bread pizza, vegetable of the day, mixed fruit.

TEWKSBURY

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday: Meatball sub, oven

fries, vegetable of the day, pudding w/ whipped topping, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Tuesday: Turkey sandwich, vegetable pasta salad, pretzel sticks, graham crackers, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, rice pilaf, vegetable of the day, fruit roll up, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Thursday: Toasted cheese sandwich, celery and carrot sticks w/dip, strawberry yogurt, smartfood popcorn, fruit or juice, milk.

Friday K-6: The Max pizza sticks, seasoned pasta, vegetable of the day, salad w/ dressing, fruit or juice, milk.

Friday 7-12: Pizza quesadilla, seasoned pasta, vegetable of the day, salad w/dressing, fruit or juice, milk.

SHAWSHEEN TECH

Monday: Rotini w/ meat sauce, green beans, tossed salad, whole wheat roll, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets w/dipping sauce, mashed potato, corn, whole wheat roll, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Loaded nachos with beef and pork, cheese sauce, salsa, sour cream, diced tomatoes, black olives, onions, tomato soup, fruit, milk.

Friday: Sal's whole wheat pizza, tossed salad, fresh and canned fruits, milk.

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Wilmington Youth Hockey Booster Club scholarship available

The Booster Club is proud to offer a \$500.00 scholarship - to a graduating senior who plans on furthering his/her education - participated in a minimum of 5 years of Wilmington Youth Hockey - is in academic good standing - demonstrates good sportsmanship.

Please submit a 250+ word essay demonstrating why they are deserving of the Booster Scholarship.

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534 Woburn St
Wilmington, MA 01887
Submission deadline: May 19, 2006

Burlington temple hosts Tot Shabbat service

Temple Shalom Emeth, Burlington, MA, will host a Tot Shabbat program on Saturday, May 13, at 10:00 am at the temple. Following the lively service, which includes songs and stories, this month we will celebrate the temple's annual "Maccabiah Games".

Tot Shabbat is geared towards families with children ages five and under, though older siblings are always welcome. The Shabbat service, craft activities, and snacks are free of charge, but donations are wel-

come and help to support this wonderful program.

Temple Shalom Emeth, located at 16 Lexington Street, Burlington, MA, is a reform synagogue, serving Burlington and the neighboring communities. For additional information, please call 781-272-2351 or visit the temple's web site at: <http://www.uahc.org/ma/tse>. For more information or to be added to the mailing list, call Lore Porter or Marjorie Cooperman at the temple at 781-272-2351.

The Tewksbury Memorial High School Earth, Culture and Humanity Organization, better known as the ECHO Club, has just returned from a very exciting trip to New York City over April school vacation. Forty-four students from the club, along with their chaperones, enjoyed 4 days of sight-seeing and entertainment in the Big Apple. The students took in Rockefeller Center, Times Square and the Empire State Building, saw the long running play - Phantom of the Opera, enjoyed a day walking China Town, Little Italy, Wall Street, and Ground Zero, danced the night away on the ship "Spirit of New Jersey" during the Dinner Dance Cruise, and explored the MET, Ellis Island and the Tenement Museum.

The club members, whose motto is "Expand Your Horizons" were able to attend these events with funds raised through their annual Karaoke Night and Lollipop Sales. The club has also successfully completed it's humanitarian effort for this year, having shipped over 50 pounds of children's

toys to Iraq for distribution from helicopter to Iraqi vil-

TMHS ECHO Club takes on the Big Apple



TMHS's ECHO Club in NYC.

(courtesy photo)

toys to Iraq for distribution from helicopter to Iraqi villages. Operation "Kids Care Drop" was coordinated between the school and family members serving in Iraq.

The ECHO Club, with over 150 registered members, is a group

of concerned students that undertakes activities related to preserving the earth's resources, understanding global cultures, and assisting humanitarian efforts. This past school year the club successfully held its annual blood drive

with the American Red Cross, participated in International Coastal Cleanup Day, and enjoyed King Richard's Faire, New York City, and will finish out the year with a trip to the Newport Mansions.

Textron Systems hosts Wilmington Middle School students and teachers of Mentor Adventure Program

Textron Systems Hosts Wilmington Middle School Students and Teachers of Mentor Adventure Program
Wilmington, Mass. April 24, 2006 - Textron Systems

Mentor Adventure Program to its Wilmington-based headquarters.

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ic year to the Mentor Adventure Program. Approximately five Textron Systems employees volunteer as mentors each year, meeting weekly with the students, and often attending extra-curricular activities in support of the student mentee. According to engineer Guy Berube, mentor program coordinator at Textron Systems, "Our primary role is to encourage students to seek solutions to life's challenges by exploring options and anticipating outcomes. As role models, we provide the guidance students need to cope with emotions, ideas, perceptions and change."

About The Mentor Adventure Program

The Mentor Adventure Program is a collaborative effort between the Wilmington Middle School and several businesses within Wilmington. Students who may need a positive role model to help them focus on

school or other personal concerns are invited to participate in the program. Students are encouraged to make a two year commitment to the program and to their mentor. Profiles of the mentors and mentees are gathered in order to establish a cohesive match between the participants. Each mentor works closely with his or her student to develop a special relationship. This partnership helps the students to foster increased confidence and self-esteem as well as assisting the mentees to set academic and personal goals.

About Textron Systems

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Textron Systems of Wilmington recently hosted members of the Mentor Adventure Program. This year marks the fourth consecutive year that Textron and its employees have participated in the company-sponsored program. (courtesy photo)

announced today that it played host to 26 Wilmington Middle School students and teachers during a recent visit to the company's Wilmington-based headquarters. The visit marked the fourth consecutive year that Textron Systems and its employee-volunteers have welcomed students who are mentored through the company-sponsored

Showcase, where the students were introduced to products and technologies developed at the Wilmington facility and at the company's additional operating units: HR Textron in Santa Clarita, California; Textron Marine and Land in New Orleans, Louisiana; and Lycoming Engines in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

support the Mentor Adventure Program and the Wilmington Public Schools," said Dick Millman, president, Textron Systems. "We value the opportunity to inspire and cultivate the self-esteem and academic pursuits of these students."

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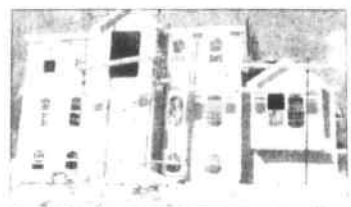
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Wilmington Senior Lunches

Week of May 1, 2006

Monday: Stuffed chicken breast, roasted potato wedges, wheat roll, sweet corn, peaches.

Tuesday: Salisbury steak, gravy, whipped potato, green beans, lite rye bread, chilled ears, pudding.

Wednesday: Pork roast with gravy, baked potato, peas and carrots, pumpernickel bread, applesauce.

Thursday: Baked chicken & gravy, mashed potato, buttered squash, multi-grain bread, cranberry sauce, cookie.

Friday: Stuffed shell, seasoned spinach, french bread, mixed fruit cup, dessert.



Melissa Phelan danced with French Exchange student Guillaume Drouet at the Tewksbury Memorial High School Junior Prom. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Mary Scelzo remembered

This article originally ran in the February 2, 2005 edition of the Town Crier. Ms. Scelzo passed away last week and this story is being rerun in her honor.

By ANDREA MACMULLIN

TEWKSBURY - As Mary Scelzo entered her birthday party last Saturday, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren were there to greet her.

Mary celebrated her 108th birthday at Tewksbury State Hospital with a catered meal, balloons, a corsage, and of course, a very large cake.

Mary says she's happy, "as long as I have my strength and health."

Strength and health she definitely has. She attributes her remarkable longevity to lots of smiling. Family members say it's her deep faith and the seven to eight rosaries a day that has kept her going strong. Maybe, it was running a nightclub that helped keep her young.

From 1936 to 1947 Mary and her husband owned and operated "The Rainbow Room" in Wilmington.

"I did everything: waitress, cook, and wash dishes," said Mary.

The Rainbow played host to

big band players such as Tommy Dorsey and Sam Donahue. The groups held jam sessions at the club before heading out on the road to tour. Mary also enjoyed being a personal guest of Joe Dimaggio's at his brother Dom Dimaggio's restaurant in California.

Mary was on hand in 1918 when the Red Sox won their last World Series until 2004.

"We had such a good time, we took a bench home from the stadium for a souvenir," she says. Gracious and funny; an indication of a true lady.

Up until ten years ago, when Mary was 98, she gardened, shoveled snow, and mowed her own lawn. Great-granddaughter Amy Surran always enjoyed visiting her grandmother's house.

"She would wait as we were leaving, standing in the driveway, waving one hand while shaking a leg," Surran recalled. "She is a very funny woman and always smiling," granddaughter Louise Southmayd of Wilmington added.

Everyone agreed that Mary's strong faith has kept her young at heart. Mary is an active member of St. Dorothy's Church in Wilmington and has been credited with being a "pioneer" in the building of the church.

St. Dorothy's dedicated its 50th Anniversary mass to her. She was also an active member of the Lady's of Sodality.

"She is the epitome of a good attitude," granddaughter Edna Peters says.

According to Peters, it is her good attitude that has helped to keep her young while it is her selflessness that makes her so special. Peters remembers Mary once sitting through an entire graduation for one of her grandchildren with an open wound on her hand without saying a thing about it until after, so as not to ruin the celebration.

"She never thought of herself first," Peters said.

Sitting proudly beside Mary at the party was her daughter, Mary McIntire, also of Wilmington. Mary lived with her daughter for a number of years in her nineties.

Along with the elaborate spread and cake, the celebration continued with a moving slide show set to music with 108 pictures; one for each year of this charismatic woman's life.

So, what to get a lady who has just turned 108? Maybe a new bench; this time from the 2004 World Series. Happy Birthday Mary, and keep smiling.

Tewksbury Senior Topics

Seniors getting ready for the big parade

An Activities Meeting will be held April 28th, at the White House beginning at 2:00 p.m. The topic of discussion will be the up-coming Memorial Day Parade as well as other matters. If one is planning to participate in the Memorial Day Senior Floats, it is asked that you make your intentions known as soon as possible so plans can be made with regard to float size. One may call the Senior Center at 978-640-4480 for more information.

Those Seniors participating in Eileen Griffin's oil painting and jacket classes are reminded that there will NOT be any classes for the next two weeks. Eileen's classes will resume on May 15th and 16th.

As noted last week, the Silver Tones Band will be performing at the Tewksbury Country Club next Thursday evening, May 4th. The evening encourages casual attire and lots of dancing. Tickets are available at the door at \$5 per person. The Tewksbury Country Club doors open at 6:00 p.m. and, the band begins playing at 7:00 p.m. A great time was had by all at the last event... so one will want to mark his/her calendar for this special occasion!

The monthly "Senior Center Cootie Party" will be held at the White House next Friday, May 5th beginning at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome. Don't know how to play? Don't give it a worry, everyone will show you how!

The Seniors will hold their next Breakfast Benefit on Sunday, May 7th, from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the Tewksbury Rod & Gun Club, 79 Chandler Street. Tickets are available at the door. The menu includes: pancakes, bacon, scrambled eggs, homefries, beans, toast and beverages. Adult tickets are \$5 and children 12 and under \$2. Toddlers are free. All proceeds benefit the Senior Center Expansion Project.

AARP Volunteer Driving Instructor, Nancy M. Doherty

will be offering a two day "Mature Driving Course" at the Tewksbury Senior Center (White House) on Tuesday, June 20th and Tuesday, June 27th, from 8:30 to 12:30 p.m. The course will focus on the aging process affecting hearing, eyesight, driving response time and how to recognize and compensate for these conditions. It will also cover ROAD RAGE which is an extremely important factor today! This class will be limited so don't wait too long to sign up. The cost is \$10 per student with workbook and there is no testing. One may now sign-up at the Senior Center.

Bocci games on Wednesday mornings at Joe Santoro's house will begin very soon. Those interested in playing bocci are asked to make their intent known by calling the Senior Center at 978-640-4480. When one calls, he/she will be informed of the time and date that bocci will begin. All are welcome.

A Foxwood Day trip has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th. Tickets will go on sale this coming Monday, May 1st. The trip cost is \$20 per person.

Since there has been enough interest in the up-coming state walking rallies, the following trips have been confirmed and tickets are now available for purchase: the Cape Cod Canal rally on May 19th with tickets at \$8 per person; and, the Castle Island rally on June 8th at \$5 per person. One should note that there will be a stop for lunch with lunch being on one's own.

A trip to Hampton Beach has been planned for Monday, June 19th. The cost of this trip will be \$4 per person. One will be on his/her own to shop, have lunch and visit the beach at Hampton.

Table reservations are now being accepted for the Senior Center Yard Sale which will be held at the Tewksbury Hospital Old Chapel on Saturday, June 10th. The table fee is \$15. One

may call 978-640-4482 for more information.

The Friends of the Elderly is pleased to announce that the Carnation Belles two year calendar (June 2006 to June 2008) will be available in May. One may pick-up an order form at the Senior Center. All proceeds from this calendar will benefit the Senior Center Expansion Project.

Those Red Hatters and others traveling to the Burlington Playhouse this Sunday, April 30th to see "The City of Angels" and then enjoy dinner at Rick's Chung King Café are reminded that the group will car pool and depart from the Senior Center "White House" (460 East Street) at 1:00 p.m.

Other Red Hat trips scheduled are: (1) The "Sounds of Concord Show" on Sunday, May 7, featuring the Sweet Adeline's, a Barbershop Quartet, the Sounds of Concord Chorus and the play "Minimum Wage Musical Comedy". The cost is \$30 and includes transportation and admission ticket. If interested, please obtain a ticket by this Friday, April 28th. (2) The Newport, R.I. Flower Show on Saturday, June 24th. This trip includes motorcoach transportation and lunch at the Atlantic Beach Club. The trip cost is \$69. A deposit of \$29 will hold you space. (3) Information is now available on the July 23rd Red Hat trip to the HuKeLau...check the Red Hat bulletin board at the Senior Center.

A Carnation Belle is at the Senior Center most afternoons to take care of Red Hat business. However, Belles may want to call ahead to see if someone is there for Red Hat business.

A suggestion Box is located in the foyer of the White House. Please drop off any trip suggestions one may have for the up-coming months.

Have a pleasant week and God Bless America.

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- ◆ NEVER SMOKE while handling hazardous material.



Tewksbury Library Notes

by Elisabeth DesMarais

Advice for small businesses

If you are ready to launch a small business, or take an existing one to the next level, the Small Business Association (SBA) and its resource partners are eager to help. The Tewksbury Public Library and the SBA are partnering to sponsor a morning of networking, helping small business owners and entrepreneurs connect with the SBA and resource partners for assistance. Three business seminars, each one hour, will take place at the Tewksbury Public Library on Thursday, May 11, 2006.

9:30 am - 10:00 am "Working Together For Success"

Discuss SBA counseling and training resources available to assist start-up and growing businesses.

11:00 am - 11:30 am "Finance Your Dreams"

Discuss how SBA and lending institutions work together to assist entrepreneurs' access to financing needed to start and grow their business.

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm "Government Contracting: The Hidden Market"

The federal government is the largest buyer of goods and services in the world. The SBA has a number of programs to help small businesses obtain a fair share of these contracts.

These seminars are open to the public and there is no charge to participate. To register for one, two, or three of these seminars, call Lisa Gonzalez Welch, SBA Business Development Specialist at 617-565-5588 or e-mail at lisa.gonzalez@sba.gov. Also, plan to visit the Tewksbury Public Library's Business Center on Thursday, May 11, between 9 am and 12:30 pm to speak to a librarian about the services and resources that the Tewksbury Public Library has to offer entrepreneurs and small business owners.

Children's Room News and Events

Spring is in full swing and things are blooming in the Children's Room! Come by to check out our great new furniture and decorations in the picture book section. Lean up against our giant tented book and read to your preschooler while your baby looks at a board book on our colorful new carpets. A local family has generously funded the purchase of our new furniture. And don't forget to attend some of our great programs in May!

Scott Kepnes is back again with his popular concert of songs and movement for children from birth up to 3 years old on Tuesday, May 16 at 10:30am. A ticket is required to attend this program. Free tickets are available at the Children's desk beginning on May 9. Sorry, tickets may not be held via phone. Limit of 6 tickets per person. This program is funded by the Family Foundations Network, which is funded by the Department of Early Education and Care. The views expressed in this program in no way reflect the views of the FFN or the DEC.

Music and Movement is back! Join music teacher Miss Beverly as she encourages your child to interact with great music for children. We will be running two separate series of Music and Movement classes, each running for 3 weeks. The Music and Movement Series is for children ages birth to 35 months. The first series will be held on Thursdays at 10:00am on April 27, May 4 and May 11. Attendance is expected at all 3 classes. An adult must accompany each child. Children must be under the age of 3. Limited to 15 children and their caregivers. Registration is required and begins on Wednesday, April 19 for the first series. The second series will be held on 3 Thursdays at 10:00am on May 18, May 25 and June 1. Registration for the second series begins on May 9. If you attended the first series, you may not attend the second series. This program is funded by the Family Foundations Network, a program funded by the Massachusetts Board of Early Education and Care. The views presented do not necessarily reflect the views of the CTI, the Board or the sponsoring group.

We'll have a drop in Toddler Craft for 2 year olds on Wednesday, May 3 from 10:00am until 11:00am. Stop by any time during the hour to make a Mosaic Fish! Please, children should be under the age of 3. One craft per child.

Wiggle Time for 2 year olds is back in May! We'll be holding our sessions of stories, songs and fingerplays on Wednesdays this month at 10:30am only on May 10, 17, 24 and 31. Registration is required to attend Wiggle Time as we are limited to 15 toddlers per session, and you are allowed to register for any 3 out of the 4 dates. Please call to register beginning on May 1 at 978-640-4490 x204. Please remember to check in at the Children's desk when you come to attend Wiggle Time.

On Tuesday, May 9 at 10:30am, children ages 3 to 5 are invited to our Pumpernickel Puppets Show. John McDonough's giant puppets will be performing The Three Billy Goats Gruff and the Lion and the Mouse. A ticket is required to attend this program. Free tickets are available at the Children's desk beginning on May 2. Everyone entering the room needs a ticket. This program is funded by Community Partnerships for Children, a program funded by the Massachusetts Board of Early Education and Care. The views presented do not necessarily reflect the views of the CTI, the Board or the sponsoring group.

Children ages 3 to 6 can create a Smiley Caterpillar Craft on Monday, May 8 at 11:00am. Registration begins on May 2. We'll have a repeat of our Smiley Caterpillar Craft on Saturday, May 27 at 11:00am. Registration for that craft is on May 23. Children ages 3 to 6 can also create a Mosaic Butterfly on Monday, May 22 at 10:00pm. Registration begins on May 6. Preschool crafts are limited to 16

children and take place in our Craft Room. Call 978-640-4490 x204 to register. Call early as spaces do fill quickly. Preschool crafts usually last 30 minutes or less.

Preschool Story Time is a drop in program for ages 3 to 5 on Tuesdays, Fridays or Saturdays at 11:00am on May 5, 19, 23 and 30. Story times last 30 minutes. Registration not required.

Book Buddies are our book discussion groups for kids! We eat snacks, talk about the book of the month, and do a related activity or craft. No registration is required and new members are always welcome. Book Buddies for grades 2 and 3 is on Thursday, May 4 at 4:00pm in the Craft Room. We'll be discussing Jake Drake, Class Clown by Andrew Clements. Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation desk. Book Buddies for grades 4, 5 and 6 is on a new day and time: Tuesday, May 16 at 7:00pm in the Craft Room. We'll be discussing The United States of America, by Paula Danziger. Pick up a copy of the book at the Circ Desk.

Kids ages 8 to 12 can create a Peacock Craft on Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30pm. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, April 25. Call or stop by to register at 978-640-4490 x204.

Join us for Movie Night on Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00pm. Kids ages 5 to 12 are welcome to drop in and enjoy a short film based on a book.

Don't forget about Chess Club! Chess Club meets the second Tuesday of every month in the first floor meeting room at 6:30pm. All ages and skill levels are invited to come. You may bring a board if you wish, but it is not required. No registration is required. May 9 will be the next Chess Club meeting.

For more information about our programs, call Noelle or Karen at 978-640-4490 x204 or check our calendar on the web at www.tewksburypl.org.



Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Curious Creatures

Upcoming Children's Programs

Curious Creatures, a hands-on traveling animal show, will be visiting the Wilmington Memorial Library on Friday, May 5th at 10:00 a.m. Ten to twelve animals will be presented to an audience of preschoolers and their caregivers: a baby alligator, snake, turtle, lizard, tarantula, hedgehog, chinchilla, and rabbit may be included. Please call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098 to reserve your free tickets beginning Thursday, April 27th.

Sponsored by the Children's Collaborative, a program funded by the Massachusetts Board of Early Education and Care.

Book Discussions

Beany's back! Bernice Lorraine Sherwin-Hendricks, that is. Beany (not Beanhead) is always finding interesting things to do, but after finding a magic crystal which will only grant one wish, Beany, always a worrywart, can't decide what to wish for. Should she use her wish to win the Caring and Sharing Contest at school or should she wish for the best birthday party ever? What would you wish for if you

were Beany? Read Beany (Not Beanhead) and the Magic Crystal by Susan Wojciechowski and join children ages seven and older for their next book discussion on Friday, May 5th at 3:30 p.m.

Lionboy: The Chase by Zizou Corder was chosen by kids ages nine and older for their discussion on Friday, May 12th at 3:30 pm. The Chase is the second book in the popular Lionboy trilogy. It continues the adventures of Charlie Ashanti and a pride of escaped circus lions on a train bound for Paris in a search for his kidnapped parents.

Copies of the books may be reserved by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098. Drop-in for discussion, snacks, and a door prize provided by the Friends of the Library.

Jane Austen's Sense and Sensibility

Wilmington's Jane Austen Book Club will feature *Sense and Sensibility* during the month of May. Join us for the following events:

Monday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. The movie adaptation of the book *Sense and Sensibility* starring Emma Thompson and Kate Winslet, Hugh Grant and Alan Rickman will

be shown.

Tuesday, May 2, 7 p.m. The Country Dance Society - Boston Centre, will demonstrate period dancing with audience participation. Free tickets available at the circulation desk.

Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m. All Janeites are invited to a discussion of *Sense and Sensibility* with Library Director Tina Stewart. The winner of the Jane Austen gift basket will be drawn at this finale program. Tickets for this lovely Victorian hat box that is filled with items any Janeite would love to own are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Gift basket is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Attendees of all the above events have a chance to win a door prize provided by the Friends of the Library.

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Wilmington Minutemen 1775-1783

Patriots Day, celebrated on the third Monday in April, commemorates the Battle of Lexington and Concord fought on April 19, 1775. Minutemen from Wilmington participated in these battles on that fateful day. You can find the names of these Minutemen from Wilmington and others who fought in this battle and other battles during the Revolutionary War in the book *Wilmington Minutemen 1775-1783: Being a list of men of the Seventh Middlesex Militia Regiment of Foot who had served during the Revolution. Family and military service details are included in this listing.*

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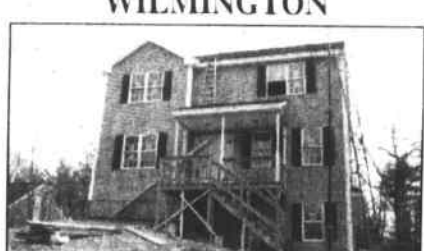
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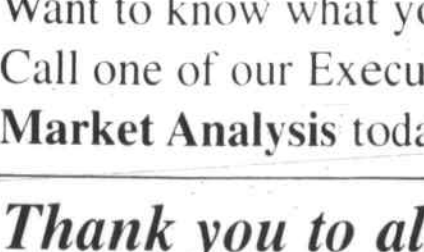
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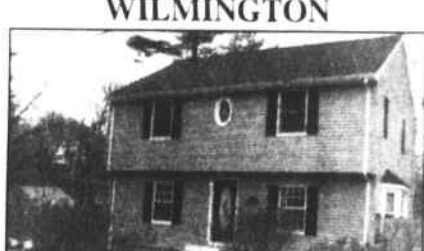
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8:00 AM NASA Sci Files: The Case of the Energy Crunch
9:00 AM Creating A Healthy Environment
9:30 AM What Say Ye, Will Butter?
10:00 AM The Road To Recovery
12:00 PM Moneysense - Financial Literacy Quiz
1:00 PM WMSJ Backstage
1:30 PM The Word: Alive and Well
2:00 PM Derby Street Variety Show
3:00 PM St. Thomas of Villanova
4:00 PM Cable Bible Study
5:00 PM United Methodist Church
7:00 PM Where's Wilmington
8:00 PM Sports Forum
9:00 PM Physician Focus: Youth Violence
9:30 PM What Say Ye, Will Butter?
10:00 PM Congregational Church Service
11:30 PM White House Chronicle
12:30 AM Jim Pillsbury Live

Channel 10

8:00 AM Annenberg Educational Network
9:00 PM NASA's Destination Tomorrow
10:00 PM Songs of America - West Intermediate School
11:00 PM 2005 Winter Festival - WHS/WMS
12:00 PM Classic Arts Showcase

Channel 22

8:00 PM Board of Selectmen Meeting - 4/24/06
9:00 PM Public Hearing - Olin Chemical Project Update - 4/6/06
10:00 PM Elder Services Meeting - 4/20/06
11:00 PM School Committee - 4/26/06

Friday, April 28, 2006

Channel 9

8:00 AM Congregational Church Service
9:00 AM NASA's Destination Tomorrow
9:30 AM Where's Wilmington
10:00 AM Physician Focus: Youth Violence
11:00 AM White House Chronicle
12:00 PM Sports Forum
1:00 PM Community Bulletin Board
2:00 PM What Say Ye, Will Butter?
3:00 PM Community Bulletin Board
4:00 PM Kay Scanlon's Retirement
5:00 PM Dave Roberts Radio

Channel 10

8:00 AM Annenberg Educational Network
9:00 PM Community Bulletin Board
10:00 PM Classic Arts Showcase

Channel 22

10:00 AM Capitol Perspective
7:00 PM School Committee - 4/26/06

Saturday, April 29, 2006

Channel 9

7:30 AM Stoneham Memorial Seventh Day Adventist Church
9:00 AM Sharing Our Faith
10:00 AM St. Thomas of Villanova
11:00 AM Wilmington First Baptist Church
12:00 PM Family of God
1:00 PM United Methodist Church
3:00 PM Congregational Church Service
4:30 PM Heritage Park Baptist Church
6:00 PM What Say Ye, Will Butter?
7:30 PM Community Bulletin Board
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'The Music Man'

Local woman performs in Colonial Chorus Players production

Reading - Wilmington resident Stephanie Weymouth will be performing in Colonial Chorus Players' production of "The Music Man" on April 28 and 29, and May 6 and 7 at Parker Middle School in Reading. She joins a cast of more than 54 people for this musical, which marks the group's 45th anniversary.

Meredith Wilson's "The Music Man" tells the story of fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill, who cons the people of River City into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he vows to organize despite the fact he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef! His plans to skip town with the cash are foiled when he falls for Marian the librarian, who transforms him into a respectable citizen by curtain's fall. By turns wicked, funny, warm, romantic, and touching, this award-winning Broadway classic is an all-American institution. The Colonial Chorus Players production is directed and choreographed by Pamela Denning of North Reading and musically directed by Jeffrey Prescott of Lowell.

Performances will be held at the Parker Middle School, located at 45 Temple Street in Reading, on April 28, 29 and May 6 at 8:00 p.m., and on May 7 at 2:00 p.m. To reserve tickets, call the Colonial Chorus Players ticket hotline at (781) 944-9780 or email colonialchorusplayers@yahoo.com. Ticket prices are \$17 for adults and \$14 for seniors and students. Group rates are also available. For more information visit: www.colonialchorus.com

About Colonial Chorus



Rehearsing for the Colonial Chorus Players' musical "The Music Man," are (l. to r.) Cathleen Twomey of Lawrence, Stephanie Weymouth of Wilmington, and Ronnie Ventura and Mary Anne Ronan of Andover, which performs April 28 & 29, and May 6 & 7 at Parker Middle School in Reading. Call 781-944-9780 for tickets. (courtesy photo)

Players:

The Colonial Chorus Players, a non-profit community theater group, has been presenting musical theater in

Reading, Mass. since 1962. The organization strives to create as much of its productions as possible from the minds, hands and talents of its members and

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76 members of Wilmington High's Class of 1961, who braved the air travel blackout after September 11, 2001 to attend their 40 year high school reunion. The group is planning a 45 year reunion the September 23, 2006.

Wilmington High School Class of '61 reunion

It's been 45 years since Graduation Day for Wilmington High School's Class of 1961. To celebrate, they are planning a day-long Gala Old Fashioned New England Clambake and Barbecue. The event is to be held Saturday, September 23, 2006 at the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks beginning at 2 p.m. It will feature lobsters, steamers, chowder, corn on the cob and barbecued chicken cooked on site by Fosters' Downeast of York Harbor, Maine and will be served picnic style in the Grove at the Elks' South Street facility. The Grove boasts a covered cooking area, picnic tables, an outdoor bar,

rest rooms and playing fields in a wooded pine grove.

Organizers of the event say they will have bocce ball and horseshoes available as well as plenty of time to reconnect with old friends. The buffet clambake dinner will be served from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Afterward, festivities will continue in the banquet hall until 10 p.m. with coffee and dessert, drinks, a DeeJay to spin tunes of the fifties and sixties, Karaoke, and guest speakers. Tickets will be the same price as for the class last reunion, \$60 a person and will go on sale soon.

However, in advance of ticket sales, the reunion committee

suggests people contact them to indicate whether or not they plan to attend and to provide updated address and contact information. Those to contact are: Reunion Committee members Elaine DePasquale, 978-987-0111, e-mail grmagrma06@aol.com, or Rose Chase, 978-657-7807, e-mail Rose.Chase@mksinst.com

Hotel rooms for out of towners are available at a group rate of \$69 a night at the new Tewksbury-Andover Holiday Inn. Reservations can be made for September 22 and/or September 23 by calling the hotel directly at 978-640-9000. Fifteen rooms have been set

aside for each night. The cut off date for hotel reservations is September 8, 2006.

The committee is hoping for a huge turnout. Their last reunion faced the challenge of non-existent air travel in the wake of the 9/11/2001 tragedy. And yet, more than half of the 142 member graduating class managed to be on hand to renew old friendships. Classmates from across the country came by train or car, some from as far away as Arizona, New Mexico, Minnesota, Texas and Washington state.

Middlesex Canal Association annual meeting

The Middlesex Canal Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. in the afternoon at the Middlesex Canal Museum and Visitor Center, 71 Faulkner Street, North Billerica, MA.

They invite you to hear guest speaker Dr. Paul Hudon "From the Way Back to the Way Forward". This is a power point presentation by the Relevance Company on the past and future of the Merrimack River and its watershed. The story begins in the way back - 20,000 years ago with the Wisconsin glacier and the formation of the Merrimack watershed: it ends in the way forward - with the proposal that we

build an e/brain to manage the watershed. In between, Dr. Hudon, author of "Lower Merrimack: The Valley and its Peoples", will survey 9000 years of human habitation in the region. In modern times, the pace of change has been astonishing. After 1790, in less than a century, the river was organized as a grandly improved commercial highway and as a world class engine of industrial power.

The Museum is handicapped accessible and will be open one hour prior to the lecture for those who would like to browse. For additional information please call 1-978-670-2740. Please join us for this retrospective.

Fresh Air Fund seeks local host homes

Each year, families and individuals in Tewksbury and Wilmington make summer special for inner-city children from New York City as volunteers for The Fresh Air Fund. As National Volunteer Week approaches, I would like to give my deepest thanks to our Fresh Air heroes: dedicated hosts, volunteers, and supporters. Year after year, they demonstrate their compassion and concern for the well-being of others by their commitment to New York City children from low-income neighborhoods.

Our caring Fresh Air host families open their homes and share the everyday joys of summertime with their Fresh Air guests. Our local volunteer leaders - many of whom are also hosts - give by serving on our local Friendly Town

Committee, planning summer activities, raising funds for special events, publicizing the program and interviewing prospective host families. I would also like to thank all individuals and businesses which have generously given their time and resources to make the Friendly Town program throughout this area a great success each summer.

The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit agency, has provided free summer vacations to more than 1.7 million New York City children since 1877. For more information on how you can help to continue this wonderful tradition of volunteering, please call Deborah Stephanides at (978) 744-8531 or The Fresh Air Fund at 800-367-0003.

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Residents urged to write letters in opposition to Transrail site in Wilmington

By GORDON VINCENT

WOBURN - Ward 6 Alderman John Ciriello is urging residents who are opposed to the concept of a trash transfer station at the Olin Chemical site in Wilmington to write a letter to the federal Surface Transportation Board (STB).

"Most of you have heard that we have been fighting a 'trash transfer station' that some private investors from New Jersey have been trying to sneak in at the highly-contaminated Olin Chemical site," wrote Ciriello, in an e-mail to the Daily Times Chronicle.

New England Transrail (NET) proposes to construct a solid waste reload facility on the property. Wilmington and Woburn have vehemently opposed the project, which would transload various materials, including construction debris, contaminated soils, liquid chemicals, newsprint, non-hazardous waste, and other products, from trucks to railroad cars.

"They propose to use the commuter rail (the one which goes to the Anderson train station) at night when no passenger trains are on it, to bring among other things, municipal solid waste (that's the stuff we all throw away as trash every week)," wrote Ciriello. "Trash will arrive by railcars to the 30-acre plant that is being proposed and then get sorted and reloaded into trucks which will leave the site for landfills in every direction."

The decision on the trash transfer proposal is in the hands of the STB, which is currently in the midst of deliberations. Ciriello is asking all letters to be mailed by May 12 to:

Phillips Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20423
Finance Docket No. 34747
Olin property
The Olin property, located at 51 Eames St. in Wilmington,

could be named to the federal Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) national priorities list as soon as the end of this month, Wilmington and Woburn residents learned at recent a public meeting in Wilmington.

The Olin Chemical property is a 53-acre parcel situated just off of Route 38 and approximately a quarter-mile from the Woburn line. The property was classified as a Tier 1A disposal site by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on Sept. 20, 1994, as the result of the discharging of wastewater to unlined lagoons and ditches by previous property owners over a period of many years. Tier 1A sites are overseen by the DEP and a piece of land is categorized as such only if it possesses contaminants that impact a town's water supply.

The estimated limits of contaminant migration appear to nearly double the size of the property, extending as far as Chestnut Street and the Maple Meadow landfill in Wilmington and into Woburn by the municipal landfill.

Ciriello enumerated the reasons for opposition to the trash transfer facility:

- The project will severely impact heavily populated areas in both Wilmington and Woburn. There are dense residential neighborhoods at both ends of Eames Street, and along the entire length of Route 38 in Woburn. Areas south of the site are dense residential zones.

- The Olin Chemical site is not remediated and the extent of contamination is not fully understood yet. The site should remain undeveloped until its contamination issues are understood and resolved.

- Four hundred trucks a day will be a hazard on our streets since the majority of the area surrounding the site is residential and we are unprepared in

the event of a liquid or solid waste spill. The new on-ramp built for Route 93 is too narrow for safely transporting materials in trucks.

- Two elementary schools, a day care center and large senior housing complex are located in North Woburn on Route 38 and the truck activity will have an enormous impact on an already overburdened roadway.

- Noise generated by the immense grinding operation will be an unbearable nuisance to the nearby densely-populated areas of North Woburn and South Wilmington.

- Odor and pests from the municipal solid waste which will be handled at the site will impact nearby homes

- This area has had its share of environmental injustice. There are already two landfills, two Superfund sites and now the possibility that Olin will be a third Superfund site - all within close proximity of each other.

Ciriello noted any letter of opposition, however brief, would be helpful to the city's cause.

"Only a few short lines... will make a dramatic impact if we write in," wrote Ciriello. "If we don't do anything, this thing will become a reality and once approved we will not be able to stop it... in fact, it will grow as they offer services to communities all around us."

"Since this is not in some people's backyards and they get a savings on their trash removal, cities and towns around us will enter into contracts with Transrail," added the alderman. "Commodities handled at the site will not only be trash, but liquids, gas (propane), lumber, stone, construction and demolition materials, and so on. We have enough traffic and environmental problems as it is and don't need an ongoing trash transfer station impacting our neighborhoods."

Barton Launches Bid for U.S. Congress

Manchester resident officially announces candidacy for Six Congressional District seat

Manchester- Rick Barton, a twelve-year veteran naval aviator, and retired airline pilot officially announced his candidacy for United States Congress before a roomful of cheering supporters on Wednesday.

Mr. Barton, 52, declared "This year we are going to win back the Sixth Congressional District."

We are going to win because our state has not been well served by single party representation in Washington. We

are going to win because our District is tired of a Congressman that refuses to listen to common sense. We are going to win because we have the right ideas."

Mr. Barton continued: "A race for Congress is no small task. My wife, Johanna and I have stayed up late many nights weighing the commitment we will have to make."

But, in the final analysis, our children, and your children,

are worth our best efforts.

Their future is what drives my race for Congress."

Mr. Barton will face incumbent Democrat John Tierney in November.

"He's far too liberal for the good of this state and our country. He and the rest of our

Massachusetts Congressional Delegation are part of the problem - not the solution. It's time for a change," said Barton.

Training seminar on ADA in North Andover

Massachusetts Office on Disability will conduct a training seminar on architectural accessibility and on the requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act May 9 and 10, 2006.

In a continuing effort to educate the public to the communication and architectural access needs of people with disabilities, the Massachusetts Office on Disability is co-sponsoring, along with the northeast independent living program, North Andover Commission on Disability Issues, and the New England ADA and accessible it center, a two day community access monitor training on the regulations of the Architectural Access Law and the Americans With Disabilities Act on May 9, 2006 from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm and May 10, 2006, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at the Nevins Memorial Library in Methuen.

This is part of an outreach program of the Massachusetts Office on Disability designed to provide training on the requirements of the Americans With Disabilities Act and on how to monitor a community's efforts in providing the greatest access to its agencies, organizations, and businesses. Those who choose to become volunteer

community access monitors will be responsible for on-site assessments and documentation of the communication and architectural accessibility of buildings and programs which are open to the public, such as libraries, recreation facilities, restaurants, shopping centers, hotels/motels and supermarkets.

State and municipal facilities must comply with the architectural access codes that apply to all buildings newly built or renovated after 1974.

The Americans With Disabilities Act mandates that public accommodations (restaurants, hotels, theaters, shopping centers, museums, etc.) be accessible to people with disabilities; it requires all programs, activities, and services of state and local governments be accessible; it prohibits discrimination in places

of employment, and has many provisions to ensure the availability of accessible transportation.

Myra Berloff, director of the Office on Disability observed "this seminar is part of a public awareness program designed to break down the still-existing barriers which prevent the disabled residents of Massachusetts from enjoying a full, productive life."

The Office on Disability is the state agency charged with bringing about full and equal participation of people with disabilities in all aspects of life. It works to assure the advancement of civil rights and for full opportunities for people with disabilities.

For further information on the training session and participation, contact the Office on Disability 800-322-2020 or 617-727-7440 v.tty

Volunteers needed

LAWRENCE - Home Health VNA's volunteer program, Home Health Partners, is growing and they are looking for individuals to volunteer for a myriad of assignments.

Volunteer assignments can range from assisting with fundraising events to participating on the Friendly Voices team who make telephone calls to homebound elders. Clerical duties such as mailings and assisting in the office are additional opportunities available.

"Home Health Partners is a great opportunity for individuals to make a real difference in the lives of our patients," said Beth Dimitruk, External Relations Manager. "We've had a great response from the com-

munity and are expanding our program."

Those interested in volunteering with Home Health Partners can contact Beth Dimitruk, External Relations Manager at 978-552-4186 or email her at bethdimitruk@homehealthvna.org

Home Health VNA is a not-for-profit agency affiliated with Merrimack Valley Hospice and HomeCare, Inc. Together, the three agencies serve more than 80 communities throughout the Merrimack Valley, Northeastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. Home Health VNA has offices in Lawrence, Haverhill, Newburyport, Peabody and Chelmsford.

At the Stoneham Theatre May 10 - 28

The "Rat Pack" returns in tribute to Frank, Sammy, Joey and Dean

"This is as close as anyone has come to capturing the feeling of the real thing."

Las Vegas Sun

STONEHAM - The wildly successful musical revue, "The Rat Pack Returns in the Tribute to Frank, Sammy, Joey and Dean," will open May 10 for a three-week run at Stoneham Theatre in Stoneham, Massachusetts. The long-running Las Vegas production is

Conservatory of Music in Boston with an eclectic array of musical legends including Jaki Byard, Robert Nagel and George Russell. Based in Las Vegas since 1985, Lon has performed with Dionne Warwick, the Four Tops, Elton John, Gladys Knight, Don Henley, David Foster, The Temptations, Bobby Vinton, Gloria Estefan, Frankie Valli and Wayne Newton. Lon was Musical Director and Band Leader for

song for the Friars Club Roast of Drew Carey which airs annually on Comedy Central.

The Lon Bronson All-Star Band, based in Las Vegas, was featured on "The Ron White Show," on WB and on the TBS special, "Earth to America," both in 2005.

"The Rat Pack Returns in a Tribute to Frank, Sammy, Joey and Dean" features Johnny Edwards (Dean Martin), Mickey Joseph (Joey Bishop),

Black Magic, "Me and My Shadow," Mr. Bojangles," "Ain't That a Kick in the Head," "That's Amore," and "Volare."

The show runs May 10-28. Tickets are \$42 adults, \$36 students and seniors and are available by calling the box office at 781-279-2200 or ordering online at www.stonehamtheatre.org.

Showtimes are:
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, 8 p.m.
Saturday, 4 & 8 p.m.
Sunday, 2 p.m.

Stoneham Theatre is located at 395 Main Street in Stoneham. The theatre is fully handicapped accessible and there is plenty of free parking.



produced by Sandy Hackett (son of comedian Buddy Hackett) and Dick Feeney. Comedian Joey Bishop wrote much of the original material and authored the title. "Joey contributed to this script and my dad (Buddy Hackett) contributed to the script," says Sandy Hackett. Co-producer Feeney is a Rockland, Massachusetts, native and former member of the highly popular Boston-based bands, "The Lewis & Clark Expedition," and "Gemini," and has established himself in Las Vegas with the hit shows, "Viva Las Vegas," "Forbidden Vegas," and "Bottoms Up." He is also owner of the "Flying Elvi," the skydiving team made famous in the movie "Honeymoon in Vegas."

Musical Director, Lon Bronson, was born and raised in Keene, New Hampshire, and studied at New England

Comedy Central's "Viva Variety," and composed, orchestrated and arranged music for all of the guest stars including Whoopi Goldberg, Charles Durning, Keenan Ivory Wayans and Shelly Long.

Lon composed the Theme

Jonathan Poretz (Frank Sinatra) and Kenny Jones (Sammy Davis, Jr.) accompanied by a 12 piece big band. Songs include such favorites as "All of Me," "Fly Me to the Moon," "Angel Eyes," "What Kind of Fool am I," "That Old

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any dog, at any age, with any issue? "Yes," replies Bonaccorsi. "I have to admit, even with my dog, I was skeptical. But, based on his personality, we were able to work with him for a very short period of time and see results. There is definitely a 'wow' factor."

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Bonaccorsi learned the Bark Buster techniques in a three-week comprehensive training seminar in Denver.

"It was an intense training," Bonaccorsi said. "I had this miniature Schnauzer that looked like the sweetest little dog in the world, but she was incredibly headstrong. She was leader of her 'pack,' which included her owner and a sister dog. I

learned the (Bark Buster) techniques by working with her. Once we taught her owner to behave like the leader, the dog's behavior changed completely."

Besides working with dogs and people, one of the best things about this new venture for Bonaccorsi is that he can spend more time with his family: his wife Tina (who will become a Bark Buster trainer herself shortly), his six-year-old son Alec, his four-year-old daughter Sophia and of course, Dakota the Boxer.

Bark Busters was founded in Australia in 1989 by Sylvia and Danny Wilson. Today it's an internationally-franchised company which provides non-aggressive dog training right in the dog-owner's home.

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Bark Busters Home Dog Training professionals and owners Tina and Steve Bonaccorsi of Tewksbury with their 2 1/2 year old Boxer named Dakota. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Sharon George

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Patrick, 15, a freshman at the Pingree School in South Hamilton. In her spare time, she's been working toward her Bachelor's Degree at Salem State College. She plans to graduate in May of 2007 with a degree in History and Archiving.

With such a busy life on the North Shore, what made her decide to interview in Wilmington?

"I was looking for a chance to advance in my career," George said. "I'd interviewed with a few cities and towns, but Wilmington stood out. When I interviewed with the five department heads... I got a warm, friendly feeling. The Town Manager himself called me to invite me to the second interview. I was impressed that he would take the time out of his busy day to call rather than pass it on to someone else. It made a big difference."

And is there a big difference

working in our "small town" compared to the City of Gloucester?

"The two communities are very similar. Both are very tightly knit," responds George. "The biggest difference is that Wilmington has a lot more business, which helps to keep the residential tax rates low. Wilmington is a fiscally well-run town. Most other cities and towns have much higher tax rates, an incredible amount of debt and no free cash. Town officials here are doing an excellent job of managing."

Of her first Town Meeting George says, "It was a good experience. To be able to get up and speak - compared to just going and casting your ballot on Election Day. You're literally standing up to be counted. Watching that process, it really shows that democracy does work."

"Everybody involved with the meeting did a wonderful job; the checkers, the tellers, Mr. Stewart

the Moderator. It was very well run. Of course," she smiled, "there are a few suggestions I'd like to make for next year, but I am definitely looking forward to next year's meeting."

George looks forward to her days here in Wilmington. "I learned a great deal working for a city as busy as Gloucester. I feel I have a lot to bring to Wilmington. Once I've settled in, I hope to make use of technology to make things easier for residents; like putting forms up on the web."

When asked if she had any message for the town, Ms. George responded, "I'm very happy to be here. If you have any questions, ever, about the Clerk's office, please feel free to stop by, say hi, and I will do the best I can to answer any questions that you might have."

License plates

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Heroes. There are other groups in Mass and around the country who do similar things in an effort to support our troops. Some send care packages, some send telephone calling cards so the troops can call their family back home, some send cell phones, but they all send a common message of support in one way or another and it is greatly appreciated by our men and women overseas.

Local Heroes, for example, has shipped 1833 packages of standard and specially requested supplies to our troops overseas to date at an average cost of \$1,000 per week. The cost for postage alone has run from a

low of \$297 to a high of \$888 weekly. The proceeds from the license plates will help in offsetting those costs. The Local Heroes volunteers meet every week at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus to pack the boxes and have not missed a Wednesday night since their inception. Lou Cimaglia of the Wilmington Local Heroes proudly states, "It's absolutely amazing what the people in this town and surrounding areas have done to help our troops. It's so gratifying when we get letters back from the troops. We've also received three flags from overseas as thank you's." Cimaglia commented about the license plates, "It's a great way

for people to show their support and help fund organizations who are supporting the troops. It helps people remember that there are still local kids over there and that they need our support."

NECFOM will receive \$28 of the \$40 for each plate sold and, when the plate is renewed in two years, the entire \$40 will be donated to this IRS approved non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Applications for the plates have been available since Feb-06 and the total is approaching the 1,000 plate mark. A minimum of 3,000 are needed before the Registry of Motor Vehicles will begin the process of making this license plate a reality.

Although the predication was for this to take up to 6 months, Jim says, "My goal is to get them all in by June 1st."

Cimaglia informs us, "Jim will speak at our Local Heroes Appreciation Dinner on April 28th at the Wilmington Knights of Columbus and we'll have the forms for the license plates available there. There will also be some recently returned troops at the dinner as well as some families with loved ones still over there."

Application for Support our Troops license plates are available on the NECFOM website at www.necfom.org.

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to gain these other buildings," Sullivan said.

Resident Joanne Shukis did not agree with Sullivan's rationale and stated that North Wilmington has been in need of a fire substation for 40 years.

"40 years is a long time to wait," Shukis said. "Why would you say 'no' to an article for safety? If you are putting a price tag on safety - don't."

Resident Karl Sagal suggested an amendment to the article, which would restrict the studies to include nothing outside of a fire substation.

Town Manager Michael Cairra stated that the article, as written, spoke to the construction of a fire substation only, and that the assessment of space needs for other municipal buildings would be done only to ensure proper planning for the future.

"Wherever we locate (a municipal building) we want to make sure that it is not done so to the detriment of something else," Cairra said. "We want to determine that wherever we locate the fire substation, it is done so under the auspices of good planning. If makes little or no sense to do a little piece of the pie."

Sensing that her position may have been misunderstood, Sullivan reiterated her support of a fire substation, but held her position against the scope of the study.

"I don't think the fire substation should be held hostage for those other two public buildings,"

Sullivan said.

The amendment was defeated overwhelmingly and the original article was approved overwhelmingly.

Article 20, which sought to purchase the Butters Farm on Chestnut Street for a sum of up to \$450,000 was the subject of lengthy discussion, but only limited debate. Speakers, including members of the Butters family, were nearly all in favor of saving the 300-plus year old structure. Wilmington Historical Commission Chairman Carolyn Harris described the appropriation of funds as a "loan" since fundraising efforts and the eventual sale of the property, once historic easements are established, would bring the money back into the town's coffers.

Opponents of the article argued that additional stores would increase traffic and that General Business zoning did not belong next to a school.

The article passed by a vote of 152 to 59, but a motion was made immediately following the tally to reconsider the vote.

Selectman Sullivan spoke in favor of reconsideration.

"There are communities that have General Business zoning in school zones," said Sullivan, who grew up in Lynn, "I came from one of those communities and I don't want to see Wilmington go down that same road."

The motion to reconsider failed.

Article 25, which sought to establish a Neighborhood Activity Center Overlay District (NACOD) along the stretch of Middlesex Avenue in North Wilmington that includes, but is not limited to, Dinette World, RMA Fitness, Reading Cooperative Bank, the North Wilmington train station, Elias Country Store, and other parcels, did not succeed.

The primary goal of the NACOD would be to incentivize the redevelopment of existing underutilized and under-rented warehouse and industrial uses by encouraging a mix of business, residential and civic uses that will be friendly to pedestrian, vehicular, and bicycle traffic. Such redevelopment would, according to Wilmington's Planning Board and Planning Department, create a more efficient and attractive use of the land in-line with the existing overall character of the town while maximizing tax revenue.

Selectman Sullivan claimed to have the signatures of 252 residents on a petition asking the Planning Board to withdraw the article from Town Meeting. It was Sullivan's contention that the public was not sufficiently made aware of the article.

"Many signers, myself included, are not necessarily opposed to Neighborhood Activity Centers, but to the process used to write this article," Sullivan said.

According to Selectman Raymond Lepore, his was one of the signatures appearing on the petition. Having since learned more about the NACOD, however, he planned to vote in favor of the article.

Resident Paul Kneeland described the NACOD as a catalyst for replacing tired old industrial buildings, many of which are underutilized during the current economic climate.

"The Master Plan Committee outlined a vision for North Wilmington," Kneeland said. "Now let's step out of the way and let the professionals implement that vision."

Selectman Michael Newhouse offered support for the article.

"This will provide economic incentive to redevelop an industrial area, which currently brings nothing more to the neighborhood than truck traffic," Newhouse said.

Michael Sorrentino, Planning Board Chairman, was asked if the Master Plan Committee was convened to discuss the article.

"The Master Plan Committee was invited to all of our meetings; I didn't get a single email from any of them," Sorrentino said.

The article failed by a vote of 61 to 71.

Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 39 were adopted.

Articles 25, 28, 29, and 30 were defeated.

Articles 33 and 38 were withdrawn.

Article 39 was passed over.

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Ice wagon chase left police stumped

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by LARZ F. NEILSON

Sometimes a bright idea just doesn't work out so well.

In 1952, Town Manager Dean Cushing bought a Chevrolet panel truck for the Wilmington Police Department. He figured the cops would be able to carry ambulance patients, prisoners, or whatever in the back.

The truck came equipped with teardrop spotlights and a blue light on the roof.

The truck was painted with the word "Police" on the sides and back, across the two doors. It was the painting across the doors that led the late Robert Moran to dub the vehicle "The Ice Wagon."

Moran, who ran the gravel pit at the Wilmington - Woburn line, noticed that if one back door was open, the first part of the word police was obscured. Of course, the truck was hardly ever seen with the "pol" door open and the "ice" door closed, because the right-hand door opened first. But that didn't stop people in town from calling it "The Ice Wagon."

Naturally the cops didn't like it. Officers from other towns would make remarks, and the Wilmington cops would get red-faced. Even the drunks being

forced into the back of the wagon made remarks.

But it was George Dahl, cartoonist for the Boston Herald, who gave the cops their hardest time. Dahl drew a series of six cartoons. They were really funny, but the cops didn't think so. One of them had the cops, in their truck, hiding behind a billboard, waiting for speeders.

The Ice Wagon was used as a police cruiser for a year, and for the cops, it was a very long year. There were some wonderful adventures, though.

Perhaps the best was the time that patrolmen George Shepard (later a sergeant) and Leo Markey tried to catch a 90 m.p.h. speedster.

The two officers were cruising late one evening near the Woburn line when a car sped by in the opposite direction. They turned around and went after it. They took a sharp turn onto Eames Street, went over the railroad bridge, and then a sharp right turn onto Woburn Street. The cruiser, which only had a six-cylinder engine, did its valiant best to keep up with the car, but its top speed was about 70 m.p.h. The car went back into Woburn,

up and over the rickety old railroad bridge. In that city, it was known as the New Boston Street bridge.

On the other side of the bridge, the car took off on a dirt road in an area where there were a lot of stumps. The cruiser went down the dirt road, too, in hot pursuit — until it hit a stump.

And there they were. Shepard and Markey, spinning around, as if they were on a merry-go-round.

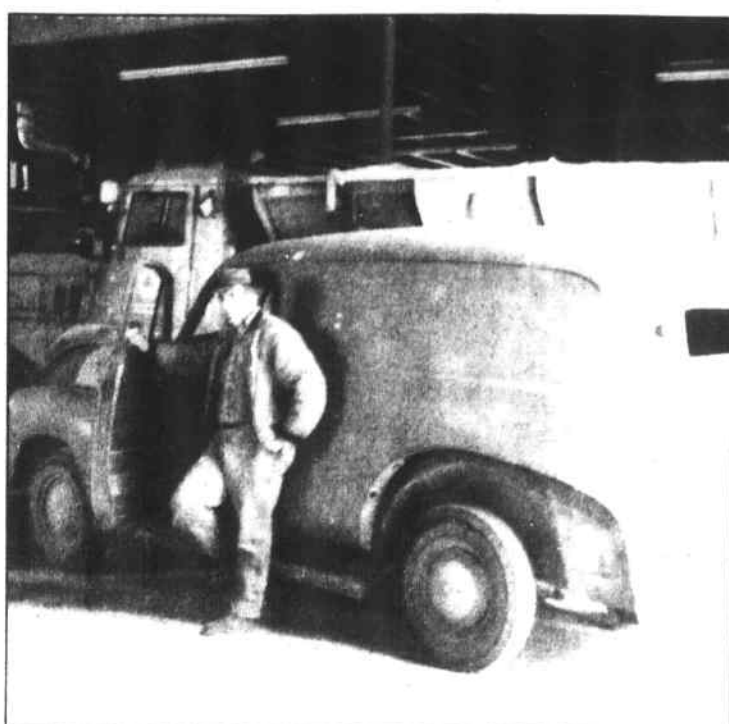
It was quite a job to get the cruiser off that stump. A wrecker was called, but it couldn't get to the cruiser because of other stumps.

The many bystanders who had gathered tried to lift the truck bodily, but it was too heavy.

Someone suggested that they wait until the ice melted, whereupon the truck would be lighter, but the only ice on hand was in the cops' response to the joke.

Finally the tow truck managed to get to a point where it could winch the panel truck off the stump. Ducking down behind their coat collars, the two cops were towed back to the station.

There was a lot of suspense in the air the following spring, before the annual town meeting.



Roscoe Denault says farewell to "Denault's Darling" at the Highway Department garage in 1964.

Would the town manager buy another police truck? There were plenty of people ready to fight it out in the town meeting. But they didn't have to, for this time, the town manager promised to buy something else. If memory serves

correctly, it was a station wagon.

The "ice wagon" was turned over to the Fire Department, whose members spent many happy hours converting it into a rescue wagon. They were proud of their work and would show vis-

itors where the prisoners used to sit, now lined with rescue equipment.

Finally in 1961, it was turned over to the Highway Department. At that time it was deemed to be worth \$100. There it was used for three years, with the last driver being Roscoe Denault. It became known as "Denault's Darling."

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Human bones

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"burning fiery furnace."

Assistant Attorney General Peter Odom said he wouldn't speculate on whether authorities have found other remains. "It would be premature to talk about that," he said.

LaBarre's lawyer, Jeffrey Denner, wouldn't rule out seeking an insanity defense. "At the very least there will be a psychological factor in this case. At least, relating it to what in her nature made her respond to a traumatic situation the way she did," he said.

Countie, whom a state police investigator described during LaBarre's preliminary hearing Tuesday as learning-disabled and having the mental capacity of a 12-year-old, had moved from Wilmington Massachusetts to LaBarre's farm in Epping in February. The two had met through a telephone party line. He was last seen on March 17.

LaBarre, 47, has maintained her innocence. She was bound over for trial.

On March 24, police went to the farm to check on Countie, whose mother had filed a missing person's report. They reported see-

ing two burning piles; a completely charred mattress and box spring was in one, a large bone jutted from the other.

The next day, police returning with a search warrant found LaBarre armed and covered in soot and ashes, telling them Countie was "in the bag," referring to a Wal-Mart bag that was near one of the burn piles.

A forensic anthropologist who examined bones in the Wal-Mart bag concluded they belonged to a man most likely in his mid-20s, but did not make a positive match to Countie. A fire marshal determined an accelerant was used to set the flames.

Investigators also said they found other burn piles on the ranch dating to last fall that contained bits of clothing. The burned mattress had a "fatty substance" on the springs that could be consistent with "some kind of flesh or tissue burning," the affidavit said.

LaBarre told police she had a sexual relationship with Countie, but ended their affair and burned the mattress after he confessed to her that he was a pedophile who had raped children and had homosexual encounters, the affi-

davit said.

Odom declined to discuss the sexual abuse allegations.

Countie's mother, Carolyn Lodge, told police that four days before she had reported her son — whom she described as "mentally deficient" — missing she and LaBarre had an argument in which she told LaBarre to leave her son alone. Lodge also told police Countie had tried to commit suicide in February.

The affidavit said LaBarre first met Countie in person on Valentine's Day at the Ashworth by the Sea Hotel in Hampton.

On March 11, workers at a Wal-Mart in Epping said they saw a woman matching LaBarre's description come in with a young man she called her husband. He seemed quiet and timid and had cuts all over his face. They said she became confrontational and threatened to sue the store when she accused another woman of pushing him out of the way.

The couple returned to Wal-Mart on March 17; this time, the young man was in a wheelchair. A store videotape shows LaBarre stacking yellow diesel fuel containers in his lap.

The original 'Good Guy'

FROM PAGE 1

residents and out-of-towners alike all year long and was a favorite spot of Rocco's.

Rocco, who served for many years as a Selectman and made a bid for a seat in the House of Representatives, was Wilmington's original Good Guy. The award was, in fact created as way to publicly recognize the many great things he had done for the town of Wilmington.

He even cooked his own celebration dinner.

According to the story, the sizable group of appreciative residents visited Rocco's Restaurant and ordered meals. Not until the food was safely on the tables did they drag Rocco out of the kitchen to present him with the first Good Guy Award.

The tradition caught on and a new Good Guy of Wilmington has been named every year since.

Rocco grew up in the restaurant built by his father in a very different type of Wilmington. The restaurant was opened on July 4, 1940 and was one of the first, if not the first, restaurants to sell pizza in the Boston area.

The Silver Lake area was primarily a vacation area during the 1940's and Main Street had a reputation as a rough area. Nightclubs and bars flourished in the years before the town voted to become "dry" in 1947.

The Black Kat, a night club with an especially tough reputation, stood almost next door to Rocco's Restaurant. Rocco sometimes told stories of having to pass the tough kids sitting on the stone wall where Lubbers Brook passes under Main Street. He felt like he was running a gauntlet, but when his father sent

him to the store, he went to the store.

Rocco DePasquale never stopped giving to Wilmington. When Jack Cushing organized the Class Reunion Softball Tournaments, Rocco was there. When the Lions Club ran the dunk tank at the Fourth of July Celebration, Rocco took his turn in the wet seat.

Later in life, Rocco experienced failing health and lost one of his legs. He always maintained his love of fishing and passed that love onto his children.

"He taught me how to fish," his son Matt recalled. "Now I take my nieces fishing and tell them stories of how my father would close the restaurant late at night and then come wake me up to go fishing with him."

As Rocco's health suffered, it became more difficult for him to find accessible spots to fish from.

"He fished all his life," Matt states. "We used to take rides all over the place to find fishing spots that he could get to."

Rocco wanted to see a handicapped accessible pier go into Silver Lake so that everyone would be able to access it. He approached State Representative Jim Miceli with the idea and Miceli took on the challenge. He submitted the proposal before the House and managed to push it through several times only to watch it not pass through the Senate or get knocked out by the Conference Committee each and every time.

In 2003, Miceli wrote \$80,000 for the construction of the pier into the House's budget and State Senator Bruce Tarr simultaneously wrote the same figure into the Senate's budget. Having it

included in both budgets protected it from being knocked out by the Conference Committee, but it didn't save it from Governor Romney's veto.

Miceli and Tarr rallied their forces and came up with the two-thirds vote necessary in both branches to override the Governor's veto.

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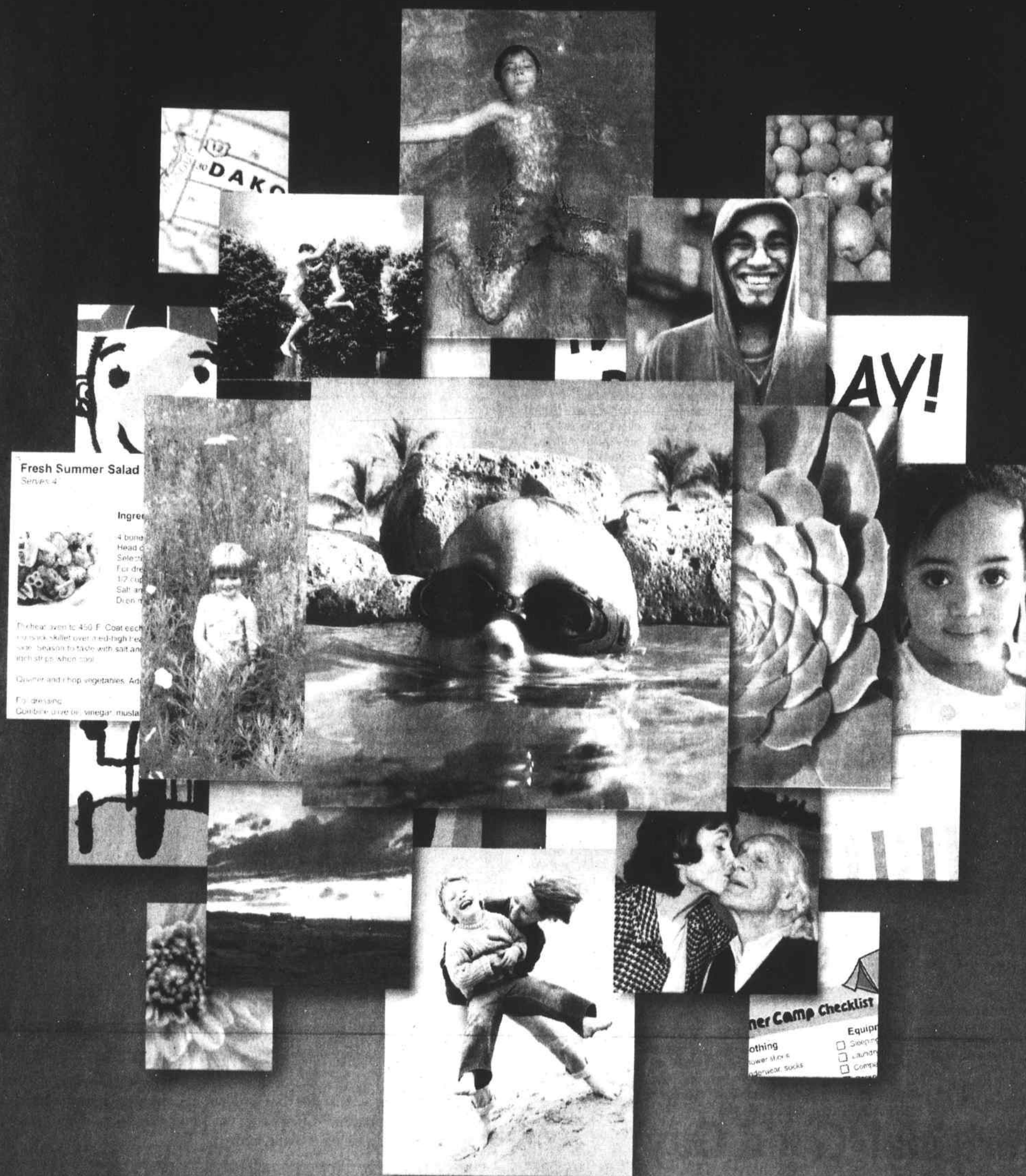
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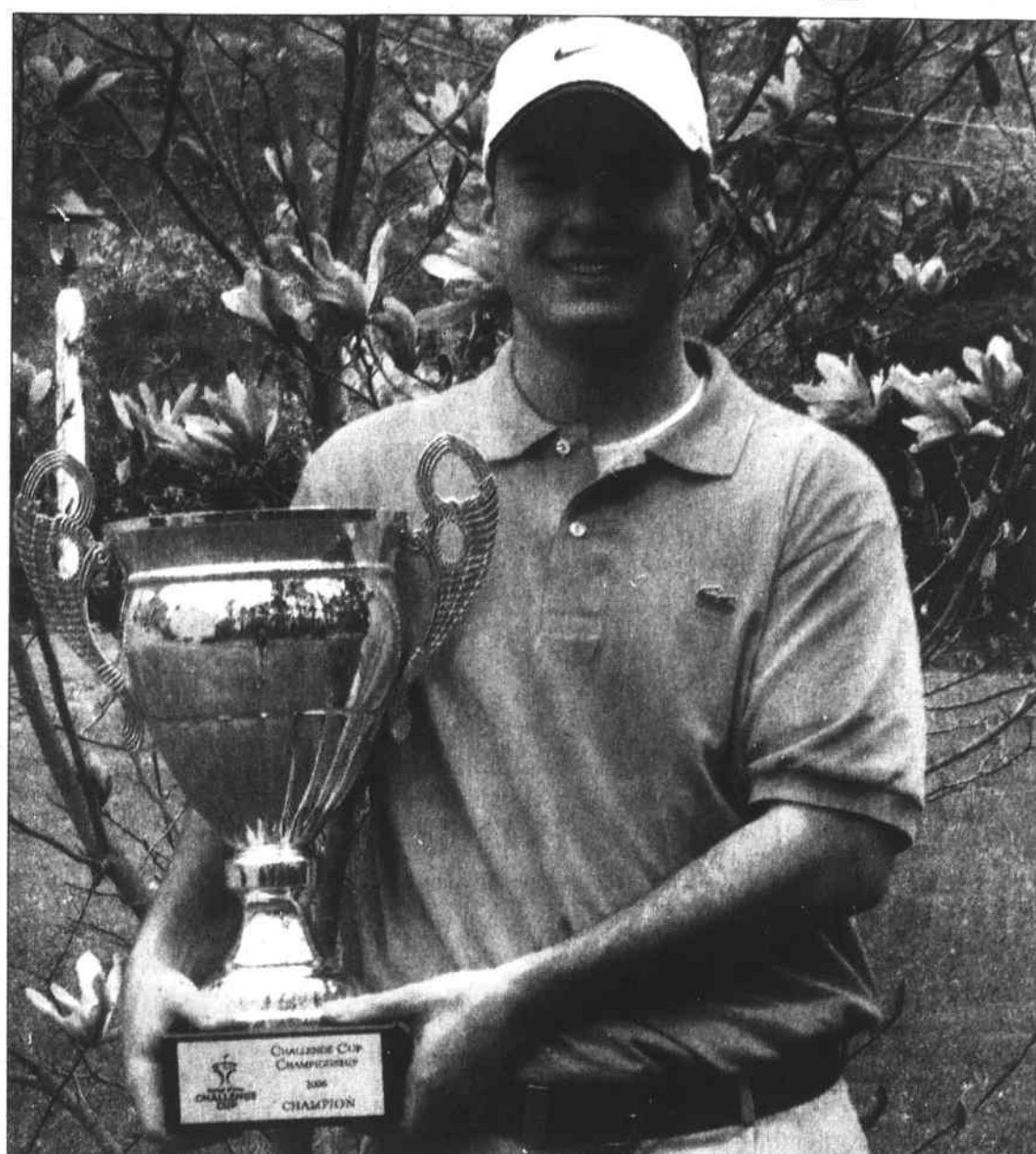
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WHS Senior Golfer Zach Ungvasky

Comeback Kid pulls off impressive title



Wilmington High senior Zach Ungvasky won the United States Challenge Cup Golf Championship this past week. (courtesy photo)

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Wilmington High senior Zach Ungvasky long ago made his mark on the Massachusetts High School golf scene, having won numerous awards and tournaments, including the Cape Ann League Player of the Year this season, as well as tying for the individual championship in the Division 3 North Sectionals.

But Ungvasky's high school golf career is now over, and he has taken his game to another level in every sense of the word, playing in competitions against some of the best golfers in New England on a regular basis. Actually, not only is Ungvasky playing in these tournaments, but he is also making his mark against this elite level of competition.

Last week Ungvasky stepped his game up even more, making a pair of incredible comebacks in two tournaments to earn himself the nickname of "Comeback Kid" among his peers.

Last Tuesday afternoon at Crestwood Country Club in Rehoboth, Ungvasky completed a tremendous comeback over the final nine holes to capture the United States Challenge Cup Championship on the second hole of a sudden death playoff.

After shooting a 78 in the first round on Monday at Cranston CC in Cranston, Rhode Island,

Ungvasky found himself five strokes back heading into the final day of the tournament. After nine holes on Tuesday, he still found himself facing that five stroke deficit.

But a short break seemed to revive Ungvasky, and the rest of the field had to get out of his way on the back nine.

"There was about a seven minute wait before the start of the back nine and I made myself a sandwich, which was very nice of the tournament organizers to provide," Ungvasky said. "I went out for the 10th hole and hit a good tee shot and birdied the hole and that got me feeling good."

Ungvasky had a strategy heading into the last several holes, a strategy that may have been different than some of his competitors, but certainly seemed to pay off.

"It was kind of windy and cold so I knew the scores would not be low, so I knew if I get my score around even, I would have a good shot at second or third," Ungvasky said. "I never imagined actually winning."

Ungvasky's good feeling on the 10th hole carried forward to birdies on the 12th and 13th holes, but a double bogey on the 15th left him at one over par and still out of the lead. On the par 5 18th, some more Ungvasky strategy paid off, as unlike his competitors, he played the hole more cautious-

ly. "The others used their drivers, but I hit an iron off the tee and a three wood from the fairway to put me 62 yards from the pin," Ungvasky said. "At that point I hit a shot about four feet away from the hole and I rolled it in from there."

Even with his clutch play on the 18th Ungvasky was guaranteed nothing more than a sudden death playoff with Garret Medeiros of Rumford, RI. Medeiros needed a birdie on the final hole to take the championship but could manage only a par and the pair headed to the playoff.

On the first hole of sudden death Ungvasky looked like he might be in trouble with a shot that trickled into the rough, but on his second shot he blasted out of there with a shot that put him about one foot off the green on the fringe above the hole. He two putted from there and moved on to the second hole after Medeiros also parred.

On the second playoff hole, a par 4, 350-yard dog leg right, Ungvasky played a two iron off the tee and put himself in position to win.

"I hit my best shot all season so far, about 70 yards from the pin," Ungvasky said. "From there I hit to about a foot and a half from the hole and I knew I was about to walk away with

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Softball pitcher ace in classroom and on the diamond

Raising the Barr at Austin Prep

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

On Friday afternoon, the Austin Prep girls softball team took on Marian who came into the game unbeaten and unscored upon. The two head coaches met for a pregame chat and Austin Prep's Dave Gramling was asked if he was having Michelle Hollebeke pitch. He responded by saying "nope, we're going with

Caroline Barr." The Marian coach smiled and mumbled several words thinking that his team had a cakewalk and would remain perfect on the season.

He was dead wrong. The Austin Prep junior from Wilmington, tossed a complete game, one-hit shut out leading Austin Prep to a 7-0 victory, and improving the Cougars overall record to 5-1 overall. Barr has been a huge fixture in the

Cougars success, last year going 9-3 on the mound for the team that fell two wins shy of winning a Division 3 State Championship title.

In her two and a half seasons as a member of the team, Barr is 21-5 on the mound. Thus far she is 3-0 this season, which includes three shut out victories. In 28 innings, she has struck out 28 batters, while walking just two.

"Caroline has really been top notch for us," said Gramling. "She was unbelievable against Marian. She pitched a one-hit shut out and struck out 12."

Austin Prep is a clear favorite to advance very far this spring into the state tournament, perhaps even further than last year's run all the way to the Division 3 Easter Mass final which ended when Millis knocked them out.

Last year Barr pitched very well in the state tournament, including getting wins over Greater Lawrence, Georgetown, St. Mary's of Lynn and East Boston. She tossed a perfect game against Greater Lawrence, and then started the final three games before Hollebeke came in for relief to nail down the save in each game.

"Michelle got hurt so having Caroline really lets us work Michelle back slowly, plus it gives us two pitchers," said Gramling. "I think this takes all of the pressure off us and in particular Michelle because Caroline is pitching great and Michelle can rehab and not rush back."

The best way to describe the 1-2 punch Austin Prep has with Hollebeke and Barr is like having Pedro Martinez and Tom Glavine of the Mets. Hollebeke rears back and fires the ball, and Barr is fast but relies more on mixing up her pitches, hitting corners and changing speeds. She has a long arsenal of pitches to choose from, but Barr said she mostly throws the fastball, change-up, drop and curve, and sometimes adds



Wilmington resident Caroline Barr tosses several warm-up pitches during the Austin prep softball team's practice on Monday afternoon. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

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Baseball team at 2-5 on the season

Wildcats get clipped by pair of CAL teams

By JOHN CLEMENO
Sports Correspondent
Newburyport

The Wilmington High baseball remembered to bring its bats last Thursday, but it wasn't enough against the undefeated Newburyport High Clippers, who held on for a 6-3 victory over the Wildcats.

After getting one-hit by Triton in a 1-0 extra-inning loss, Wilmington pounded out eight hits against Newburyport starter Brendan Russell.

After two relief appearances, Andy Valenti made his first start of the season for the Wildcats. But he was largely ineffective, allowing six runs (two earned) on nine hits and four walks in 4 2/3 innings.

"Valenti didn't have his best stuff," said head coach Aldo Caira. "He struggled for all of his 4 2/3 innings. It started right away in the first when he walked three batters and gave up a double. He was fighting it all game, but he kept battling, so that was nice to see."

Eric Legro, who had the only hit against Triton, went 3-for-4 with a run scored and an RBI while Josh Mayo returned to the top of the order and went 2-for-4 with a run scored.

"I had given Mayo a few games off from the pressure of the leadoff spot, hoping to get him swinging the bat better," said Caira. "And it worked out well for us. He led off a couple of innings with singles."

Wilmington struck first when

Mayo led off the game with a single and was advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Alex Montalto, who was dropped from leadoff to batting second in the order. With two out, Legro laced a single to drive in the game's first run.

But Valenti gave up the lead in the bottom half of the first. With one out, he walked two batters then gave up a run-scoring double. He and the Wildcats were spared more damage as the second runner was gunned down at the plate on a relay from left-fielder Tom Miele to third baseman Greg Stewart to catcher Ernie Mello.

The Wildcats threatened in the third when the Mayo/Montalto duo combined for another single followed by a sacrifice, putting Mayo in scoring position with one out. But Sean Murphy's liner was snared by the second baseman and turned into a double play.

"Sean had four well-hit balls on the day, but unfortunately they were all at somebody," said Caira.

The Clippers began to take control of the game, scoring a run each in the third and fourth innings. Then in the fifth inning, the Wildcats, defense, an area of notable improvement from last year's squad, let the team down when three unearned runs came across the plate to give the hometown Clippers a 6-1 lead.

"Defensively, we've played well this season," said Caira.



Wilmington High baseball coach Aldo Caira talks things over with pitcher Andy Valenti during a recent Cape Ann League baseball game played at Scanlon Memorial Field. The Wildcats are 2-5 on the season, dropping their last three games.

(JoeBrownphotos.com)

"Although we had the big error against the Newburyport, by and large the defense has kept us in games and I'm very pleased with that phase of the game."

Indeed, the Wildcats turned two double plays in the season-opening victory over Pentucket, and got out of a bases-loaded jam in the nail biter at Triton.

Another notable trait of this year's team is the ability to battle back, and that was on display in the sixth inning. Legro singled - his third hit of the game - to lead off the inning, followed by a Stewart walk and Miele getting hit by a pitch. Designated hitter Shane Foley drove in a run with a single and a Brian Caira sacrifice fly made it 6-3 with men on first and second and one out.

With Russell on the ropes, Mello's line drive single deflected off the back of the pitcher's head and stayed in the infield, preventing the runners from advancing more than one base. The hit knocked Russell out of the game, but couldn't knock in a run.

"You never like to see something like that happen to a

player," said Caira, who added that Russell was taken away by ambulance for precautionary reasons. "But it turned out to be a break for them."

Mayo then struck out and Montalto hit into a fielder's choice to end the Wildcats' threat. Also of note for Wilmington was Mello, a sophomore, making his first varsity start. He got on base three times via a single, a walk and a hit by pitch.

"With all the away games we've had to start the season, I was hoping we could be at .500, but we're playing a lot better than we were at this point last season," said Caira. "If we keep doing what we're doing, we'll win some games."

On Tuesday, the 'Cats fell to 2-5 on the season, losing the team's third straight game, in a wild, 15-11 defeat to Lynnfield, regarded as one of the premier teams in all of Eastern Mass. Wilmington trailed 7-2 going to the sixth inning before rallying to score six runs to pull ahead 7-6. Needing six outs to pull off the upset, the 'Cats couldn't close the door as Lynnfield (5-2) scored eight runs in the bot-

tom of the sixth to go up 15-8.

Wilmington didn't stop fighting as the 'cats added three more in the top of the seventh, but fell short.

Sean Murphy led the way for Wilmington going 4-for-5 at the plate, which included a double, his second home run of the season and a total of three RBI. Andy Strathman, Brendan Sheehan and Tom Miele each had two hits as the 'Cats held a 14-11 advantage in the hit department.

Greg Stewart had a double and two RBI.

Wilmington will be on the road for three straight games this week heading to North Reading on Thursday (3:45), North Andover Saturday morning (10:45) and Amesbury on Tuesday afternoon (3:45).

North Reading comes into the game with a 5-1 record including winning its last five and outscoring its opponents 46-17 in that stretch. North Andover is 0-5 on the season including a 5-4, 8-inning defeat to the 'Cats. And Amesbury is 3-3 on the season, including a 10-1 thumping over the 'Cats earlier this season.

Jackie Rubino chipping in with the bat at Merrimack

EASTON, Mass.- Freshman Katie Mottau (Woonsocket, R.I.) scattered nine hits and struck out seven to pick up her sixth victory of the season, helping her own cause by driving in four runs with a pair of doubles as Stonehill gained a split of a Northeast-10 Conference softball double-header with Merrimack with a 5-2 nightcap victory last Wednesday afternoon at Gartland Field. The Warriors took the opener by a 3-1 final.

Merrimack jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the nightcap on a pair of RBI singles, by junior Clarissa Lewis (Virginia Beach, Va.) and senior Jackie Rubino (Wilmington, Mass.), but Stonehill evened matters in the bottom of the second when Mottau laced a two-run double and took the lead for good in the fourth on back-to-back RBI doubles by Mottau and sophomore Lauren Polsetti (Portsmouth, R.I.).

Mottau's completed her four RBI performance with a sacrifice fly in the sixth, as she retired 10 of the last 12 batters she faced and didn't allow a hit after the fifth to improve to 6-4 on the season.

Freshman Courtney Young (Danvers, Mass.) joined Mottau with a pair of hits in the win for the Skyhawks, while Lewis and junior Tracy Vadala (Salem, N.H.) each had two hits in the nightcap setback for the Warriors, as sophomore Clarice Pepper (Belgrade, Maine) allowed six hits and four runs over 3 2/3 innings to fall to 2-7 on the mound.

Merrimack senior Lauren Otto (North Andover, Mass.) and Stonehill sophomore Danielle Mason (Salisbury, Mass.) locked up in a scoreless duel in the opener until the fifth when junior Kristen Belair's (Methuen, Mass.) two-run homer (her second of the season) staked the Warriors to 2-0 cushion.

The Skyhawks answered back with a run in the sixth on an RBI single by sophomore Caitlin Flanagan (Cornwall, N.Y.), but Merrimack plated an insurance tally in the seventh to close out the scoring on Otto's RBI single. Vadala joined Otto with a pair of hits in the opening game win for the Warriors, as Otto scattered four hits and fanned six to go to 7-8 on the season. Freshman Meghan Sheehy (East Islip, N.Y.) rapped out a pair of hits in the setback for Stonehill, as Mason allowed just one earned run in going the distance to suffer just her third setback in 13 decisions.

Orioles offense shines

Major League Baseball
Orioles 13, Tigers 8

Opening day of the 2006 season saw a traditional matchup of these teams that always play on opening day. The Tigers struck first with a run in the first, as J.D. Thompson scored on a single by Kyle Peach.

The Orioles came back with two in their half of the first with runs scored by Brian Callahan and Danny Crendon. The game went back and forth, until the Orioles broke out with four runs in the 5th inning.

Pitching for the Orioles were starter Jackie Mulrenan and Colin Daugherty, striking out nine Tigers. Tigers pitchers included John Parsons, Cole Pfeiffer, and Kyle Peach, who struck out six batters. Danny Collins played a solid game at shortstop for the Orioles. Kyle Vibert caught a good game for the Tigers.

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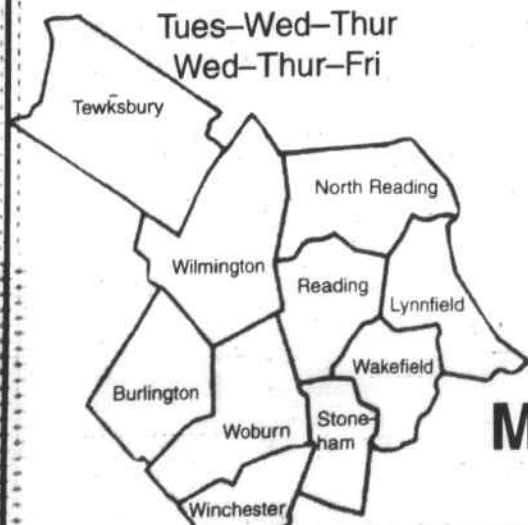
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The Wilmington High girls softball team have lost two games in a row to fall to 3-3 on the young season. Above head coach Bob Surran gathers the team for a little pep talk, and below Kim Ciampa takes a cut at a pitch.

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WHS Softball fall to .500 mark

Bats need to wake up

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

After dropping a pair of games which included leaving many runners on base, Wilmington High girls softball coach Bob Surran certainly has to be concerned with the hitting or lack thereof. After all the team is 3-3 overall, falling to North Reading, 6-1, and Masconomet, 2-1, this past Wednesday and Friday.

"I think we're going to be OK but I'm a little concerned with the hitting," said Surran. "We have some good athletes. Right now though the team batting average is .211 and that's as low as it has ever been. We've been putting some work in on hitting and bunting. We've been having trouble getting the bunt down lately. Some girls can't get it and some girls can try and try and can never do it. That's just the way things happen. But we struggled to score against Newburyport, but then we did well against (Hannah) Everson (of Methuen). So go figure?"

Wilmington's schedule does get a little easier upcoming facing Manchester, Pentucket, Masconomet and Hamilton-Wenham in its next four games. Those four teams have a combined record of 6-10 entering

Tuesday's games. Following those four games come four more against Amesbury, North Reading, North Andover and Triton, who have a combined mark of 12-4 entering Tuesday. Thus it's imperative that the 'Cats get the bats going and take care of business especially in these next four games.

"I think we're going to be OK," said Surran. "If you look at the league standings, every team but North Andover (3-0) in the large school has two losses. No team has a dominating pitcher so I can anyone could have a good day on any given day. I think you may see a team with three league losses come away with the title. Right now we have one."

Last Wednesday the 'Cats fell victim to a very good North Reading team, 6-1. The Hornets led 3-1 early thanks to a solo home run by catcher Stephanie Mayne, who is arguably the best player in the league. The score remained the same until North Reading broke it open with three more in the bottom of the sixth as the 'cats made a crucial error eluding to the runs.

Lauren Crowley scored the lone run for the 'Cats as she was driven home on a base hit

from Kim Ciampa, who had two hits in the losing effort. Katie Cole also had two hits as did Shelby Rygiel, who smashed a triple.

In the contest against Masconomet, the 'Cats took a 1-0 lead in the top of the third as Meghan Godding reached on a bunt single. She was moved over by Katie Cole before scoring on a bunt single by Brittany Collins. Masco, however, scored both of its runs in the bottom of the fifth to come away with the win.

"We just didn't get the timely hit," said Surran. "I thought Cathy (Sheerin) pitched probably her best game and it was a pretty good game. We played well defensively. It was a game we should've won but we just couldn't get that timely hit. We put a lot of pressure on them."

Collins led the way with two hits, while Colleen Magee, Maggie Sorrentino, Godding and Sheerin had one hit each.

Wilmington was back in action on Wednesday at Manchester-Exeter with results not known as of presstime. On Monday they travel to Pentucket and don't return to April Field until Wednesday, May 3rd in a rematch with Masco.

UMass Lowell holding month long auction

The UMass Lowell Department of Athletics is holding an online auction spanning five weeks beginning Friday, Apr. 21 through Tuesday, May 30, on the University's athletic website www.goriverhawks.com.

The auction is part of UML's Home Court Advantage campaign to renovate Costello Gymnasium, home of the River Hawk basketball and volleyball teams.

More than 150 items opened for bid Friday, Apr. 21. Among the items available are bats and baseballs autographed by players such as Manny Ramirez, Curt Schilling, Jon

Papelbon and David Ortiz; memorabilia autographed by New England Patriots, including a helmet signed by more than two dozen players; a brand new 2006 Suzuki Reno; a Disney vacation; as well as tickets to several 2006 Red Sox games.

Items will be added throughout the duration of the auction and donations will also be accepted throughout.

Also part of the HomeCourt Advantage program is a brick-buying campaign in which 4" X 8" and 8" X 8" sized bricks can be purchased to be placed in the Gymnasium lobby with personalized inscriptions. For

more information, log on to www.goriverhawks.com, the official website of UML athletics.

The entire renovation project will cost approximately \$750,000. The facility is also used for the National Youth Sports Program (NYSPP) each summer; summer camps and other clinics throughout the year; as well as many non-athletic activities.

Among the renovations will include a new floor; new seating; new sound system as well as new scoreboards and interior painting.



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Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

Softball team splits pair of home games

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Shawsheen Tech softball team went 1-1 last week in a pair of home games, to give them a 4-2 record on the season. The Lady Rams lost a 6-4 heartbreaker last Thursday afternoon to defending Commonwealth Athletic Conference champion PMA of Methuen, but bounced back to beat non-league foe Ursuline Academy on Saturday by a score of 11-2.

Saturday's game was tightly contested through the first five innings with the Lady Rams holding a 4-2 lead after four innings and a 5-2 lead after five. In the sixth, they blew the game open with six runs in the bottom of the sixth, including a three run homer by sophomore Melanie Stazzere which is believed to be the first ball ever to clear the fence at Shawsheen in a game.

The bottom of the sixth started innocently enough with a strikeout, but back to back singles by Kristen Cantwell and Jo Deardorff scored a run, and a Marissa Porter hit home in Cantwell for a 7-2 lead. Then it was time for Stazzere's heroics, as she got a great rip at a pitch and sailed it over the left field wall for a 10-2 lead.

"As far as I know it's the first time anybody has ever done that," Shawsheen coach Maureen Buckley said. "That's a great way to break a slump. She's a good hitter and that should help her."

On the mound, the Lady Rams got an outstanding performance from freshman Deardorff who allowed seven hits and struck out 10 in the complete game victory. Deardorff also had a fine day at the plate going 4-for-4.

Cantwell, a senior went 3-for-4 on the day with an RBI and three runs scored, boosting her average over .500 for the season. The performance against Ursuline followed up another outstanding day against PMA when she went 2-for-3 with a double and a run scored.

"She is hitting the ball solid all over the place," Buckley said. "Beyond that she is doing

things a senior needs to do like backing up plays in the outfield. Against PMA she backed up a play at third and made a great throw to throw the runner out."

Along with Cantwell's heroics against PMA, the Lady Rams also got an outstanding effort from Deardorff on the mound, as she recorded a season and career high 15 strikeouts. She also had a triple and a double at the plate.

"She can throw the ball hard and over the plate," Buckley said. "And she was really on her game. She only walked four, but we put some bad errors together and it cost us."

The bad errors that Buckley referred to came at the worst possible time, in the top of the seventh, with Shawsheen holding a 4-3 lead that they had taken with a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth.

The errors allowed PMA to score three runs and cost the Lady Rams an opportunity to pull an early season upset.

"That happens sometimes with a young team," Buckley said. "Those are the kinds of things that a young team can learn from. But that one hurt."

Despite the hurt of the PMA loss, Buckley is pleased overall with her team's effort and 4-2 record at this point.

"I am very happy with them," Buckley said. "And today (Saturday) was big because they showed they could close out a game. We haven't done a very good job of that, but today we got it done."

Baseball

The Shawsheen baseball team had a pair of games canceled this past week, with last Friday's game against Northeast canceled due to a scheduling conflict and Monday's game against Lowell Catholic canceled due to inclement weather.

The one game the Rams did play unfortunately is one they would probably rather forget, as they suffered a 14-3 defeat to CAC arch rival Tyngsboro last Thursday afternoon at Shawsheen.

The loss dropped the Rams record on the season to 4-3, and 2-2 in the CAC.

The final score does not really indicate how close the teams were for most of the game, as the Rams trailed only 4-2 entering the top of the fifth inning. But a three run homer by the Tigers in the fifth and seven runs in the top of seventh accounted for the blowout final.

"The three run homer broke it open and then we kind of ran out of pitching," Shawsheen coach Kevin Bloom said. "It was another game where we got off to a pretty good start offensively, but then we stopped hitting and allowed too many walks."

And while Bloom certainly does not think there is an 11 run difference between his team and Tyngsboro, he knows there are circumstances when that disparity is very real.

"It is when they throw strikes and we don't and when they get timely hitting and we don't," Bloom said.

Senior left fielder Chris Bradley of Tewksbury homered in the loss.

Prior to the Tyngsboro game, the Rams last game was Tuesday, April 18, and the results were much more satisfying for Rams fans, as they pulled out a dramatic 10-9 victory over Greater Lawrence with three runs in the bottom of the seventh. The Rams overcame deficits of 3-0, 5-4 and 9-7 to pull out the win.

"It was an important win for us," Bloom said. "We preach to the kids that the game is never over until the last out so to keep playing so it was nice to see that pay off for us. Both teams played well and both teams made some mistakes."

In fact, it was mistake that allowed the Rams to score the tying and winning runs with two outs in the seventh inning. After Bradley had doubled to start the inning and come around to score on walk, passed ball and a fielder's choice, the Rams looked to be finished, but a fly ball to the outfield by Wilmington resident Steve McIsaac with the bases loaded was misjudged allowing them to earn the victory.

Bradley had a fine week an is showing signs of providing the pop in the middle of the lineup

that Bloom had hoped for at the start of the season.

"He started out a little slow. He was fighting an illness," Bloom said. "But right now he is swinging the bat well. He has come up with some big hits for us and it would be big for us to have him continue to contribute."

Sophomore Anthony Miano of Tewksbury went 6-for-8 on the week with a pair of 3-for-4 games.

"He did well especially against Tyngsboro against a kid who was throwing really well," Bloom said. "As a sophomore he shows a lot of patience at the plate. Against Greater Lawrence he showed great patience to draw a walk and load the bases for Steve McIsaac. He didn't chase anything."

Wilmington sophomore Rob McIsaac improved his season record to 3-0 with two innings of one hit, shutout pitching.

Co-ed Track

The Shawsheen boys track team continued to dominate their non-league rivals with a 99.6-36.3 victory over Keefe Tech last Thursday in a home meet. The win improved the boys record to 6-0 on the season as they prepare to head into the bulk of their CAC schedule beginning this week.

The girls team, depleted greatly by the April vacation break, suffered their first loss of the season with a 63-44 defeat.

On the boys side, the Rams got an outstanding effort from sophomore Josh Delise of Tewksbury who won a pair of events, taking the 300 meters in 49.8 seconds and the 400 meters in 59.8.

"We had a couple of kids who were sick so we told Josh the day before that he would be running the 300 and he ends up winning it," Shawsheen coach Jay Tildsley said. "Whatever event he was doing before, he will be doing the 300 now."

Both relay team, the 4 x 100, as well as the 4 x 400 continued their undefeated seasons with victories on Thursday. The 4 x 400 team of Mike Shanahan, Andy Cowan, Tewksbury's

Chris Damp and either Calvin McMillan or Andrew Puccio won in a time of 4:15.9, while the 4x100 squad of Tewksbury residents Corey Brooks and Mark Clerveau along with Corey Fleishman and Ryan McLaughlin won in a time of 51.3.

"I haven't seen that in a while," Tildsley said of both relay teams being undefeated so deep into the season. "Once we get into our big meets those

events could be very important to us. They are five points each so that could be the difference in some of those meets."

Along with his relay success, Damp also won the 800 meters in 2:18.9 and took third in the triple jump. Another Tewksbury resident, Tyler McCarthy won a pair of events, taking the high jump with a leap of 5-6 and the triple jump in 37.5.

Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
Tewksbury High Sports				
Thurs	April 27	V Boys Lacrosse	at Salem	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	V Girls Lacrosse	vs Lowell	4:00 PM
Fri	April 28	Fr SB/BB	vs Haverhill	3:30 PM
Fri	April 28	V Girls Tennis	vs Haverhill	3:30 PM
Fri	April 28	V/JV Baseball	at Haverhill	3:30 PM
Fri	April 28	V/JV Boys Lacrosse	vs Haverhill	4:00 PM
Fri	April 28	J/V Softball	vs Andover	5:7:00 PM
Sat	April 29	B/G Track	State Relays GNB	9:30 AM
Sat	April 29	JV Boys Lacrosse	vs Dracut	10:00 AM
Mon	May 1	V Girls Tennis	vs Billerica	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	V Girls Lacrosse	at Tyngsboro	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	V/JV Baseball	vs Billerica	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	V/JV Softball	at Methuen	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	Fr SB/BB	at Billerica	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	V/JV Boys Lacrosse	vs Chelmsford	4:00 PM
Wed	May 3	V Girls Tennis	vs Central Catholic	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	V/JV Softball	at Central Catholic	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	V/JV Baseball	at Chelmsford	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	Fr SB/BB	vs Chelmsford	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	B/G Track	vs Billerica	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	V/JV Boys Lacrosse	vs N. Reading	4:00 PM
Thurs	May 4	V Girls Lacrosse	vs Haverhill	3:30 PM
Thurs	May 4	V/JV Baseball	at Lawrence	3:30 PM

Wilmington High Sports				
Thurs	April 27	V Boys Tennis	vs Ham.-Wenham	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	V Girls Tennis	at Ham.-Wenham	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	V/JV Baseball	at N. Reading	3:45 PM
Thurs	April 27	JV Boys Lacrosse	vs Masconomet	4:00 PM
Sat	April 29	B/G Track	State Relays GNB	9:30 AM
Sat	April 29	V/JV Baseball	at N. Andover	10:00 AM
Mon	May 1	V Boys Tennis	at Amesbury	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	V Girls Tennis	vs Amesbury	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	B/G Track	at Pentucket	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	JV Boys Lacrosse	vs Triton	3:30 PM
Mon	May 1	V/JV Softball	at Pentucket	3:45 PM
Mon	May 1	Fr BB/SB	vs Pentucket	3:45 PM
Tues	May 2	JV Boys Lacrosse	vs N. Andover	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	V/JV Baseball	at Amesbury	3:45 PM
Wed	May 3	V Boys Tennis	vs N. Reading	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	V Girls Tennis	at N. Reading	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	JV Boys Lacrosse	at Newburyport	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	V/JV Softball	vs Masconomet	3:45 PM
Wed	May 3	Fr BB/SB	at Masconomet	3:45 PM
Thurs	May 4	V/JV Baseball	vs Ham.-Wenham	3:45 PM
Thurs	May 4	B/G Track	vs Ipswich	5:00 PM

Shawsheen Tech Sports				
Thurs	April 27	at Gr. Lowell	at Gr. Lowell	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	Co-Ed Track	at Chelsea	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	Co-Ed Tennis	vs Gr. Lowell	3:30 PM
Thurs	April 27	V/JV Baseball	at Whittier Tech	3:45 PM
Fri	April 28	V/JV Softball	vs Whittier Tech	3:45 PM
Tues	May 2	V/JV Softball	vs Gr. Lawrence	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	V Boys Lacrosse	at Lynn Tech	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	B/G Track	vs Lynn Tech	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	Co-Ed Tennis	vs Gr. Lawrence	3:30 PM
Tues	May 2	V/JV Baseball	at Lynn Tech	3:45 PM
Wed	May 3	V/JV Softball	at Tyngsboro	3:30 PM
Wed	May 3	Co-Ed Tennis	vs Tyngsboro	3:30 PM
Thurs	May 4	B/G Track	at Whittier Tech	3:30 PM
Thurs	May 4	Co-Ed Tennis	vs Minuteman	3:30 PM
Thurs	May 4	V Boys Lacrosse	at Northeast	3:45 PM
Thurs	May 4	V/JV Baseball	at Gr. Lawrence	3:45 PM

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June 26	Bret Saberhagen Bobble Head	August 7	Law Enforcement Night/Alumni Stadium Model
June 27	Rally Towel Giveaway	August 8	Australian Night
June 28	Baseball Giveaway	August 9	T-Shirt Giveaway
June 29	T-Shirt Giveaway (Adults)	August 10	Notebook Giveaway
June 30	Beach Towel Giveaway	August 11	Revenge of the Nerds Night w/Myron Noodleman
July 1	Yard Sign Giveaway	August 17	Jonathan Papelbon Bobble Head
July 12	Baseball Hat Giveaway	August 18	Home Improvement Night
July 13	Adam Everett Bobble Head	August 19	Stopwatch Giveaway
July 14	NASCAR Night	August 20	10th Anniversary Rehab Card Set Giveaway/Birth Night Reunion
July 18	Pepsi VideoBoard Replica Picture Frame Giveaway	August 21	Luis Allicea Bobble Head
July 19	Ramon Martinez Bobble Head	August 26	AT FENWAY
July 20	Time Capsule Night	August 27	Kids Camo Hat Giveaway
July 25	10th Anniversary Lapel Pin Giveaway	August 30	Uncut Card Sheet Giveaway/Royal Caribbean Cruise
July 26	Freddy Sanchez Bobble Head	August 31	Keith Foulke Bobble Head
July 27	Big Dig Night	Sept. 1	Boston Red Sox Night/Jersey off the Back
July 28	10th Anniversary Card Set Giveaway		
July 29	Kids Hat Giveaway		

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Raising the Barr at Austin Prep

FROM PAGE SP1W

in a rise and a screwball. And when one of the two aces are pitching, the other is at first base.

"It's good because if I'm not (my game) Michelle can come in for me and I can go to first base," said Barr. "I think that's good and I like that."

And when Barr is pitching, Hollebeke is playing first base. Barr was asked about the differences between the two pitchers.

"Michelle's faster than me and I think she's a different kind of pitcher," she said. "I mix in more stuff and I think I have more movement on the ball but she's faster and has more power."

Barr resided in Burlington until she was in 8th grade when her family moved to town. Barr said she began pitching when she was eight years old under the direction of Kristen Mahoney, who faced the Wilmington High girls softball team in the state tournament game four years ago. Mahoney is now pitching at UMass Lowell.

"I just figured it would be better to go to a private school because I wouldn't know anyone at the high school since I had just moved to town," said Barr. "Plus I had family who had gone here."

And since arriving at the school, Barr has done very well both in the classroom and on the diamond. She is a National Honor Society Member, and besides playing softball, she is also a football cheerleader.

As a freshman, Barr was 9-2 on the mound which included an 1.80 ERA. She struck out 76 batters and walked 28. As a sophomore she finished 9-2 with an 1.12 ERA with 81 strikeouts and 21 walks helping the team reach the state semi-final game. She was voted a league all-star and was also named to the Lowell Sun All-Star Softball team.

"Last year was really fun

because we didn't think we'd do that well at the start of the season," she said. "Our record was pretty bad at the start of the season. But then we started winning and that was pretty exciting. We got into the tournament and I think we should've and could've gone further but we made a lot of errors in that last game."

This year the team is off to a 5-1 start, the only loss coming against St. Mary's of Lynn. The Spartans came from behind and scored four unearned runs off Austin Prep during a torrential downpour.

"I remember I couldn't even see anything in that game

because the rain was coming down so hard," she said. "I was standing there, holding the ball in my hand and I could barely see anything."

But take away that loss, and the Cougars seem ready for another magical season.

"The season is going really well," said Barr. "We're playing really well together even though we're really young. Everyone is playing so well together."

Besides the pitching, Barr has also done quite well with the bat. As a freshman, she hardly got the chance to bat and ended the season with a .150 average. But midway through last season, that all changed.

"Her batting has really improved," said Gramling. "It's her confidence and you can see it. As a freshman, I (had some one bat for her) almost every game. As a sophomore she progressed and I remember the game against Archbishop Williams when it all changed."

Barr was tossing a gem on the mound that game which was tied after regulation. Gramling

elected to stay with Barr instead of bringing in Hollebeke. The game was still tied in the 9th inning. With two outs and runners on first and second, Barr stepped up to the plate and delivered a game winning two-run double, with the ball landing over the center fielder's head.

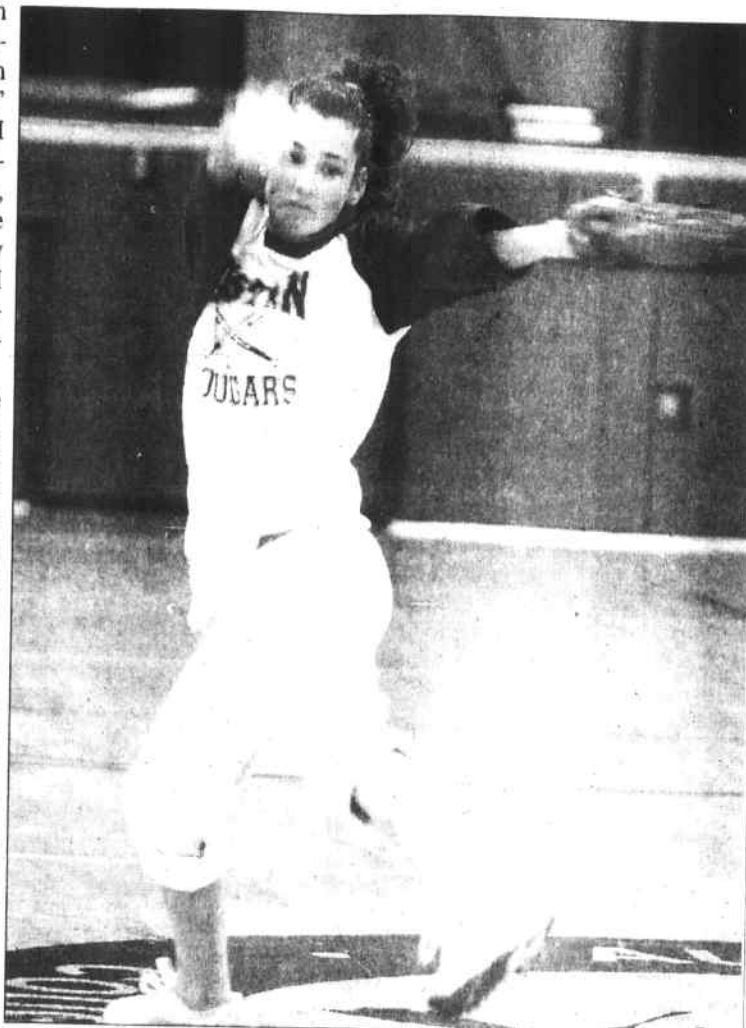
"That was the start of her transformation at the plate," said Gramling. "She's been a very steady hitter since then going 1-for-3 or 2-for-3 almost every game."

This season her average has climbed to .455 through the team's first six games, including a .495 on base percentage,

while she is third on the team with five RBI, all while batting seventh in the order. She also has two game winning hits already this season. Barr said last summer she had a stress fracture in her foot and eventually went to a physical trainer to get healthy. She attributed her improvement at the plate because of her added strength and conditioning with the trainer.

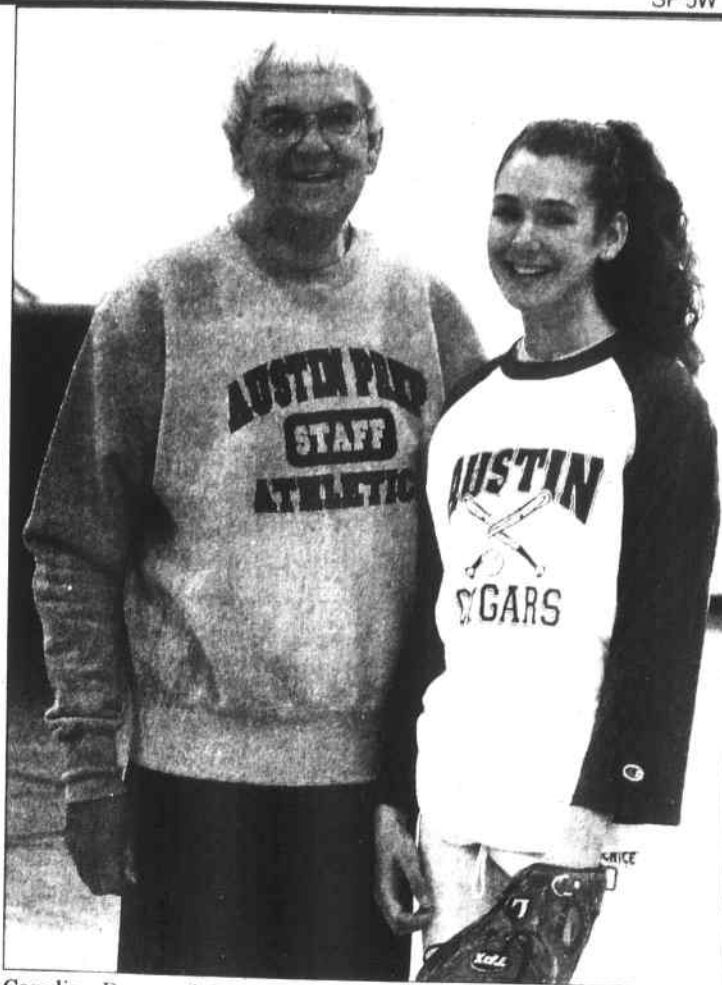
"I'm older, I'm stronger and I have more confidence now," she said.

And with that added confidence boost, and with the one-hit shut out on Friday, perhaps now opposing coaches will now fear Caroline Barr both at the plate and especially on the mound.



Caroline Barr lets a pitch go during Monday's practice at the new Austin prep gymnasium.

(JoeBrownphotos.com)



Caroline Barr and Austin Prep softball coach Dave Gramling. (JoeBrownphotos.com)

The Ad for Tewksbury Youth Football that ran in the April 12th edition of the Town Crier contained some typographical errors. Please see the advertisement below for the correct dates, time, and fees. We apologize for inconvenience that this may have caused.

Tewksbury Youth Football 2006 Registration

All Players and Cheerleaders

Registration will be held on

Tuesday, May 2nd 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 3rd 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 6th 9:00 - NOON

Registration will be held at

The Teen Center on Livingston Street

Football players: \$100.00 per participant

Cheerleaders: \$75.00 per participant

with a family maximum of \$160.00

Late Registration Fees: (as of July 1st to Midnight July 17th)
\$150.00 per participant

Requirements: Open to Elementary and Middle School students ages 7 - 14 as of Sept. 1, 2006

Registration is Closed as of July 17, 2006

THERE IS NO AUGUST REGISTRATION

Birth certificate and registration fees due at registration

For Further information please contact

Dawn Catheart 978-640-6781 or

Frank Ferrelli 978-851-4494

<http://eteamz.active.com/TewksburyYouthFootball>

Under 11 Lacrosse team off to a great start

Wilmington's U-11 Blue Lacrosse Team is off to a great season. On Sunday, 4/23, they faced Haverhill on their turf. As expected, Haverhill proved to be a tough opponent, backed by phenomenal goal tending. However, Blue's Team proved to be an unstoppable powerhouse.

The defensive lines of Brooks Carter, Gerry O'Reilly, Jacob Pumphret, Gino Martignetti, Steven DeFuria and Justin DeNorscia were outstanding, while the persistence of the middle lines of Chris Sartori, Blake Walker, Shane Brennan, Alec Dell'Anno, and Andrew Morris kept the play moving down the field. On attack, were Mike Ferrara, Troy Homola, Jimmy Lawrenson, Zach Lord, Madison Roberts, and Eddie Silva keeping Haverhill's defensive lines busy.

Madison Roberts, assisted by Alec Dell'Anno, put the Wildcats on the board, scoring the first goal of the game in the 1st quarter. Blake Walker followed suit sending a scorching shot into Haverhill's net to score the second goal of the game, while Matt Penney's superb goal tending kept Haverhill scoreless at the end of the first half.

Despite torrential down-pours during the second half of the game, U-11 Blue continued playing extremely well, keeping the pressure on Haverhill. Shane Brennan, in his first Wildcats game, scored Blue's

third goal making the score 3-0. While Troy Homola was robbed of a goal as his shot went high, hitting the crossbar, narrowly missing the net. Matt Penney scored the fourth goal of the game, with Alec Dell'Anno net-

ting the fifth and final goal. Jacob Pumphret played net for Blue during the second half, refusing to allow any Haverhill goals in.

Congratulations to Wilmington's U-11 Blue Team

on their 5-0 victory and a job well done! Their next game is scheduled for Sunday, 4/30, @ 2:30 pm when they host Lynnfield for their first home game at Shawsheen Tech.

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2004 Accord EXL Coupe	\$17,900
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2003 Accord EXL V6 Coupe	\$20,445
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2004 Accord EXL V6 Spd	\$24,690
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Youth hockey scholarship offered

Wilmington Youth Hockey Booster Club is proud to offer a \$500.00 scholarship to a graduating senior who plans on furthering his/her education, who participated in a minimum of 5 years of Wilmington Youth Hockey, who is in academic good standing and who demonstrates good sportsmanship.

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Sky Box	1	0	1.000	-
Molly Kay's	1	0	1.000	-
PI Painting	0	1	.000	1
Brewers	0	1	.000	1
Beers	0	1	.000	1
Bombers	0	1	.000	1
Nashua Power	0	1	.000	1

Games Last Week (Opening Day, April 23)

Heroes 12, Bombers 11 (9 innings)
Animals 27, Nashua Power 0
Hit Men 12, Beers 7
Sky Box 17, Brewers 13
Molly Kays 17, PI Painting 12 (Called after 4 innings rain)

Games This Week (April 30)

12:00 Heroes @ Beers
1:15 *Beers @ Heroes
2:30 Brewers @ Animals
4:00 Bombers @ PI Painting
5:15 Nashua Power @ Sky Box
6:30 Hit Men @ Molly Kays
8:00 *Molly Kays @ Hit Men
*Denotes double header.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on May 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 24-06 Jacquelyn Essell
Map 55 Parcel 4
To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to alter a nonconforming structure (to enlarge the existing enclosed porch and convert it to living space) for property located on 2 Faulkner Avenue.

Case 25-06 CJM Builders Inc.
Map 57 Parcel 36
To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to alter a nonconforming structure (to construct a second floor addition) for property located on 3 Glenview Road.

4.26.06, 5.3.06

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE & FAMILY COURT MIDDLESEX, SS.

06E0058PP

TO: Cornelia Booth of Tyngsborough, in the County of Middlesex, Timothy Booth of Lowell in the County of Middlesex, Lisa Paulauskas, of Tyngsborough in the County of Middlesex and to all other persons interested.

A petition, has been presented to said Court by Kevin Booth of Hollis, in the State of New Hampshire representing that he holds as tenants in common an undivided one 12th part or share of certain land lying in Tewksbury said County and briefly described as follows: setting forth that he desires that all of the following described part of said land may be sold at a private sale for not less than (\$225,000.00) dollars, and praying that the partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided at a private sale, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof in such manner as to make the partition just and equal, and the petitioners certifies under the penalties of perjury that the statements herein contained are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge- before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of May, 2006 the return date of this citation.

Witness, Hon. Robert W. Langlois, Esquire Acting First Judge of said Court, this third day of April, 2006.

John R. Buonomo
REGISTER

4.19.06, 4.26.06, 5.3.06

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Darri McCauley, 28 Marjorie Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner & applicant. The applicant is proposing to remove the existing deck & porch and construct a 12' x 18' four-season sunroom within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 70 Parcel 56, 28 Marjorie Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
4.26.06 5142

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. 06D0771DV1 DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

Edina A. Braga, Plaintiff
v.
Steven M. Solberg, Jr.,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant:
A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Edina A. Braga seeking a DIVORCE

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taken any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. Please refer to the Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411. For more information.

You are required to serve upon Jennifer Genzale attorney for plaintiff - whose address is 129 Portland Street, Boston, MA. 02114 your answer on or before June 26, 2006.

If you fail to do so the court will proceed to the hearing and the adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of this Court at Cambridge.

Witness, Robert W. Langlois, Esquire, Acting First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this 15th day of March, 2006.

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate Court
4.19.06, 4.26.06, 5.3.06 5130

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Scott & Anita Thomas, 9 Fenway Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owners & applicants. The applicants are proposing to expand the current deck by 4 feet and move the stairs to the rear of the deck. A 3'x 3' platform will be constructed for the stairs. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 17 Parcel 6A, 9 Fenway Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
4.26.06 5143

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



Board of Health LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Health will hold a public hearing on May 16, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, to hear public comments relative to proposed regulation changes. Regulations have been revised concerning the keeping of animals, discharges into the town's drainage system, Title 5 septic systems and walls relative to septic systems, and proposed changes to the fees charged by the Board of Health for various permits and services.

A summary of the proposed changes can be obtained at the office of the Board of Health at the Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by following this link: http://www.mhoa.com/boh/regs_working_final_4-19-06.doc

4.26.06, 5.3.06

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to: Ricky L. Chow of 235 Baldwin St. in Lowell, MA. Who is the last registered owner of a 98 Ford Ranger VIN number 1FTYR14U3WPA-94287 that this vehicle will be sold at auction on or about May 16, 2006 at FRED F. CAIN INC. 580 Main Street, Wilmington, MA. The vehicle will be auctioned to recover towing and storage charges that are past due.

4.26.06, 5.3.06, 5.10.06

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LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to James Christopher of, 86 Tuttle St in Dorchester, MA 02125 Who is the last registered owner of a 1999 Jeep Wrangler Vin number 1J4FY29PHXP473300 that this vehicle will be sold at auction on or about 5/5/06 at Forrest Towing, 919 Main St, Wilmington, MA. The vehicle will be auctioned to recover towing and storage charges that are past due.

4.19.06, 4.26.06, 5.3.06 5136

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



BOARD OF HEALTH Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Health will hold a public hearing on May 4, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall, on the application of Kevin Ronan, requesting a permit to operate a Massage Establishment at Salon Renee at 853 Main St., Tewksbury, MA. At that time, interested parties will be heard.

Phillip French, Chairman
4.26.06 5138

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Lorraine Sellitti, 95 Mink Run Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner & applicant. The applicant is proposing to raze the existing deck and construct a 16'x 20' new deck within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 11 Parcel 61C, 95 Mink Run Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
4.26.06 5144

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. 06P1487AD1 In the Estate of

JOAN ASSUNTA RUGGIERO
AKA JOAN A. RUGGIERO
Late of TEWKSBURY
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death October 7, 2000

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that MARY A. ORMAND of N BIL-ERICA in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed administratrix of said estate to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON MAY 12, 2006.

WITNESS, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, Acting First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, April 19, 2006.

4.26.06 John R. Buonomo
5140 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, May 3, 2006, at 7:50 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation, filed by Joseph Langone, N.E. Development Corporation, 20 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner & applicant. This filing is for the verification of the delineation of the boundary of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and Riverfront Area as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 2 Parcels 201-206, 223-225 & 15A + Map 3 Parcels 207-222, 3-5, 7, 9-27, 29 & 31 Green Meadow Drive, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 am, and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
4.26.06 5147

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. 08P1728AD1

In the Estate of
ANNE C. DICK
AKA ANNE DICK
Late of TEWKSBURY
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death March 1, 2006
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT
OF ADMINISTRATORS

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that GRAYCE M. KUSHMEREK of LYNNFIELD in the County of ESSEX and JOHN G. DICK of SALEM in the County of ESSEX be appointed administrators of said estate to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON MAY 12, 2006.

WITNESS, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, Acting First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, April 19, 2006.

4.26.06 John R. Buonomo
5148 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, May 3, 2006, at

7:40 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR. 10.00 on an Notice of Intent, filed by Michael Welch, Quality Additions & Remodeling, 314 Main Street, Suite 107, Wilmington, MA 01887, applicant; Mark Nowacki, 169 Shawshen Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner. The applicant is proposing to remove the existing shed and construct a 24'x 14' addition. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 33 Parcel 44A, 169 Shawshen Avenue, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Judy Waterhouse, Chair
Conservation Commission
4.26.06 5146

LEGAL NOTICE

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Case No. 320971

To: Paul Clement; Jennifer Clement and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Chase Bank USA, NA /k/a Chase Manhattan Bank USA, NA claiming to be the holder of a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 11 Bay Street given by Paul Clement and Jennifer C. Clement to Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., dated June 4, 2004, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 17442. Page 62 has tiled with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 22nd day of May 2006, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, KARYN F. SCHEIER, Chief Justice of said Court this 10th day of April 2006.

DEBORAH J. PATTERSON
RECORDER
4.26.06 5137

Under 10-4 girls end in 1-1 tie

The Wildcat GU10-4 girls team faced a tough opponent from Billerica this past Saturday at the Shawshen field and came away with a 1-1 tie.

The game was all defense for the first half that saw Michelina Brown and Kerry Ryan in the backer slots apply pressure on the Billerica girls keeping the ball in the Wilmington offensive zone for most of the first half. Sydnee Russo and Katherine McKenna made several outstanding saves of the ball from exiting the Billerica defensive zone as the Wildcats created several opportunities for scoring that kept the Billerica keeper on her

toes. Christina D'Ambrosio turned away all of the Billerica offensive strikes in keeper for Wilmington and the game went to half-time in a 0-0 tie.

The second half saw a quick start by Sydnee Russo as she netted a goal at the two minute mark that came on a precise passing play from Olivia Dellaruso and Lauren Amazeen. The exchange of the ball found Russo all alone in front of the Billerica net and all the girls from Billerica could do was watch the ball hit the back of the net. Not to be outdone, they came storming back. Outstanding play by Katherine McKenna in keeper along with precise aggressive

counter attacks by

Emily Bamberg and Heather Benson from the backer slots kept the Billerica girls at bay until 7:07 mark of the second half. Bouncing back from the goal the Wildcat girls turned on the pressure for the rest of the second half. Several near misses by Adrianna Kippenberger sent the ball over the top of the net and the game looked like it would go to Wilmington in the last two minutes as Olivia Dellaruso sent the ball sailing over an open net.

Both teams left the pitch with smiles on their faces after a tough fought battle.



Jackie Parece dribbles with the ball for the Wilmington Under 11A girls youth soccer travel team in a game held this past weekend.

(courtesy photo)

Under 11A Girls win, 4-0

The Wilmington Under 11A girls youth soccer travel team kept up its winning ways this past Saturday when they hosted Chelmsford. The Wildcats applied pressure from the start and never let up.

The Chelmsford goalkeeper was kept busy with wave after wave of attacks from both of Wilmington's forward lines. The first line out had Colleen Brothers, Holly Niemiec and Gianna Tummino in the forward spots, with Jackie Kennedy and Kim Woods in control of the midfield. Emma Barrasso and Jane Farrell again played the entire game on defense and kept the opposition far way from the Lauren McKenna in net.

Through some great ball control by Kennedy and Woods they were able to get the ball up to their forwards. Niemiec tied up the middle and Tummino made a pass from right to left to Brothers who put the ball into the net for Wilmington's first goal. A few minutes later the next line from Wilmington caught fire and made some serious attacks in the Chelmsford zone.

Jackie Parece, Taylor O'Byrne and Kristen Tavares were in the forward positions and Alliy Gemellaro and Michelle Woods were patrolling midfield. O'Byrne moved the ball up the middle and scored the first of two goals. Later in the half she set up Tavares for

a nice goal from the right side.

In the Wilmington end, McKenna put up a brick wall and stopped the handful of shots that managed to reach her. At the end of the half it was Wildcats 4-0. The second half saw a change in goal for Wilmington with Kim Woods taking over for McKenna with the same solid goalkeeping this team is used to.

The Wildcat midfielders continued to control the field with Kennedy stealing at least four Chelmsford throw-ins and Wilmington collecting them to apply pressure in the Chelmsford end. The Wildcats never let up and walked away with a solid 4-0 win.

Have a Sports Story

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Deadline is Monday 5 p.m.

Olivia Dellaruso chases a loose ball while teammates Lauren Amazeen and Adrianna Kippenberger add support during this weekend's Wilmington Girls Under 10-4 youth travel soccer game.

(courtesy photo)

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town of Tewksbury

Office of the Collector of Taxes



The following persons, companies and/or corporations are hereby notified that the Personal Property Taxes severally assessed for the years hereinafter specified, according to the lists committed to me as Collector of Taxes for the Town of Tewksbury by the Board of Assessors of said Tewksbury remain unpaid and that all available legal remedies will be taken including, but not limited to, suit and real estate attachment under the provisions of

General Laws Chapter 60, Section 35, and denial, revocation or suspension of local licenses or permits under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 40, Section 57, as amended, and now in force and effect, unless said taxes shall be paid on or before May 10, 2006 together with any and all interest and charges allowed by law.

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Zack Ungvarsky pulls off impressive Champions Cup title

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the championship."

After Medeiros finished by bogeying the hole Ungvarsky sunk his short putt to claim the title.

"No doubt that was the best I have played all year," Ungvarsky said. "Shot for shot I was making smart decisions and putting the ball where I had to put it."

Then there was the matter of letting his family know of his accomplishment. But he made them wait for the good news, keeping them in suspense until he got home.

"I wanted to surprise my family. My parents called as soon as I turned my phone on, and I played it off like I did not play that well," Ungvarsky said. When I got home they were not home yet so I put the trophy on top of the stairs and they and my sister saw it when they came in. That was a great moment right there."

Ungvarsky followed his performance at the Challenge Cup with another great comeback in the Hornblower Junior Classic at the New England

Country Club in Bellingham. He entered the second day of the tournament four shots back after shooting an 80 in the first round, but once again fought back to earn a second place finish to cap off his great week with a 73 in the second round.

"I was joking with the tournament organizer after the first day, saying four shots is no problem," Ungvarsky said.

He may have been joking, but the way he started his round was no joke with two birdies and two pars.

But with a pair of double bogeys, including one on the tenth hole, even Ungvarsky had to question his ability to come back.

"When I double bogeyed on the tenth hole, at that point I thought it just wasn't going to happen," Ungvarsky said. "But on the next hole I hit a 30 foot birdie and got going again."

Just like in the Challenge Cup Ungvarsky once again stepped up his game over the last nine holes to earn the second place finish behind Nick MacDonald of Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Of course Ungvarsky had hoped to win, but even in defeat he was able to take some satisfaction as MacDonald is a future teammate of Zack's at the University of Hartford.

"I wasn't too disappointed to have a teammate beat me," Ungvarsky said.

And Ungvarsky is very much looking forward to next year when players like MacDonald will be on his team. He has already been told of what a strong team he will be a part of next year.

"I have talked to a lot of people who have told me that Hartford has had one of the strongest recruiting classes anyone has seen in a long time," Ungvarsky said. "We have kids who have won national tournaments coming in. It's a great feeling knowing that we have a great team going into the season."

But before the college golf season comes there are many more tournaments ahead starting with the Tournament Players Championship and Point Judith CC and Warwick

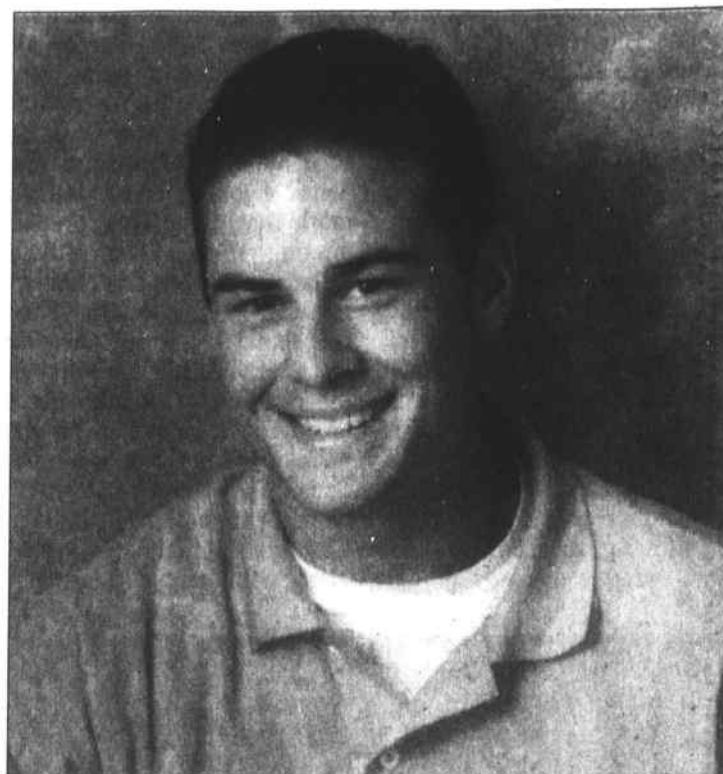
CC in Rhode Island on Thursday and Friday. Ungvarsky will be competing with some of the best amateur golfers in New England ranging in age from 16 to 55.

"It's an invitation only tournament so it was kind of a good feeling to get recognized like that," Ungvarsky said.

And Ungvarsky's week will not end there, as on Saturday at Wannamoisett CC in Rumford, RI as he will compete in the final four of the Junior Match Play Championship against David Sampson of Warren, Rhode Island. A win against Sampson will propel him into the finals on Sunday at Ledgemont CC in Seekonk, MA.

The match play tournament started with about 80 competitors attempting to qualify before being whittled down to a field of 32 who competed in an NCAA style tournament. Ungvarsky won the qualifying round on April 1 with a round of 73 and has since defeated three quality golfers to advance to the final four.

The fact that a regular kid



from Wilmington has stepped up his game to a level to compete and defeat such talented players has not been lost on Ungvarsky.

"I always wanted to prove to kids around here that you don't

have to be a rich entitled kid to win these tournaments," Ungvarsky said. "I played with a set of hand me down clubs up until about two years ago. It's a really good feeling to now be in that elite group of kids."

Barry Bonds should say bye bye to pro baseball

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA
Sports Correspondent

Something is wrong here. Baseball fans the world over should be up in arms in anticipation. There is a chance that

one man may eclipse Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron as the most prolific home run hitter in history. This is an event that marks a lifetime of watching baseball. Or it should be any-

way.

Barry Bonds is the man in this position. And odds are, if it was anyone else in the world, the American people would be rooting for this man with all their hearts. However, this is Barry Bonds we are talking about. He has said that he knows everyone hates him and he hates everyone back. He is the worst thing that has ever happened to baseball. Worse than the Black Sox scandal. Worse than Pete Rose. Worse than the strike.

Barry Bonds is the worst thing to ever happen to baseball.

Bonds is a media magnet, although he is never misses an opportunity to bash the media and blaming them for his demise and depression. Remember last season when Bonds was done for the year when he had to get surgery on his knee for seemingly the hundredth time? He brought out his son for his press conference and then had a hissy fit. "You broke me down," he said. "You wanted to do it and you finally did." He blamed the media for this.

Barry, here's some knowledge. You are the one who gave yourself this image. You are the

one who isn't in the players union. You bad mouth the media and get into clubhouse fights. You are taking the attention away from hard-working ball players that deserve some spotlight.

Bonds also has recently come out with his own reality show, "Bonds on Bonds". Oh boy, that's interesting. It is simply a sympathy vehicle for people who do not all the whole story about Bonds. On the show he cries and has conversations with his children before they go to bed and all of these things this poor, poor man has to go through. And this is just from the commercial. He tackles issues from the steroid allegations, and how the world is out to get him and his alleged steroid use.

Ahh yes, the largest component in the Bonds machine of destruction. Illegal performance enhancing drugs. A new steroid policy should be made for this man. From now on, if someone is caught taking steroids, they are banned for life. Done. That's not too harsh. These guys play for absurd amounts of money and they should be on the tightest leash in society. If you take steroids you are a cheater. Simple as

that. Major League Baseball does not need cheaters.

We don't know if Bonds ever did steroids. But come on, the evidence is overwhelming here. His trainer was nailed. He's been linked to BALCO and probably forever will be. He gained a lot of weight since his rookie season. He's gone from 400 stolen bases and 73 dingers in one season, and no one has cracked 70 plus home runs since.

Hank Aaron was a gentleman and an immortal baseball icon. He should be the home run king unless a dignified baseball player eclipses him. Bonds was going to be in the Hall of Fame before all of the homers started coming. He dug his own grave.

Lets hope Henry Aaron stays the homerun king, and let's hope Bonds is out of baseball soon. The game will be better without you.

Fundraising hockey game for Ed Cannata this Saturday

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Ristuccia Arena in Wilmington will be host of an entertaining and important event on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 when the Ed Cannata Memorial Games will be played.

Cannata was a goalie for the Rolling Thunder of the Hockey North America (HNA) adult hockey league when he passed away of a massive heart attack during the third period of a game on January 5, 2006.

Cannata left behind two children, Alexis, 10 and Eric 8, as well as his wife Barbara and Saturday's event is a fund raiser to help the family in their time of need. Admission to the event is free, but donations will be accepted if an attendee would like to make one. Organizers of the event want to stress, however, that while a donation is appreciated it is absolutely not required in order to enjoy this special event.

All 68 players participating in the game have completed pledge sheets from donors for at least \$300.

There will be two games played, with the first starting at 4:00 and the second starting at about 5:30. The games will be comprised of "all-stars" from each of the 24 teams in HNA, which is an adult league with teams from Newton to Wilmington. After the second game there will be a buffet dinner at Ristuccia.

Elizabeth Larkin the Director of Boston HNA Outreach and the Rolling Thunder is one of the main organizers of this event and is looking forward to bringing people together to celebrate Ed's life.

"He was such a wonderful guy, and hopefully this is a way to ease the pain of his family just a little bit," Larkin said. "When we look at our net, it will never be the same without Eddie."

Cannata could not skate when he joined HNA, but through hard work he worked himself into not only a skater, but a goalie who was proud to actually buy his own goalie equipment for the first time. His enthusiasm for the game was infectious according to Larkin, as he truly enjoyed and appreciated his time on the ice.

While Larkin is one of the organizers of the event, she says she could not have gotten it done without the help of two of her peers from HNA, starting with Mike Stemmler, the manager of the Ristuccia Arena.

"Mike stepped right up and said we have to do this for Eddie. He has been amazing," Larkin said. "He has hooked us up with many people to get us publicity and with our caterer. And he got us the ice time we needed. He has stepped up from the moment we started this."

Another key organizer has been John Adams, the manager of the Fessenden Arena in Newton as well as the captain of the Boston Ice Sharks of HNA.

"John has not gotten his due for the amount of work he has put into this," Larkin said. "He went to each of the teams in the league either before or after their games and spoke about this event. If not for John Adams we would not have all of these teams involved."

Andover Tennis Club openings

The Andover Tennis Club offers outdoor recreational tennis at Phillips Academy to its members during the summer months. NO courts fees during the summer!

During the winter season, the club plays indoors at the Willows Racquet Club. It is a club for men, women and youth and features singles, doubles and mixed-doubles play at all levels.

The club is now accepting new family (\$65 per year) and individual (\$45 per year) memberships through the end of May.

Those interested in more information may access the Web site at www.andovertennis.org. Membership dues and information should be mailed to the Andover Tennis Club, PO Box 404, Andover, 01810.

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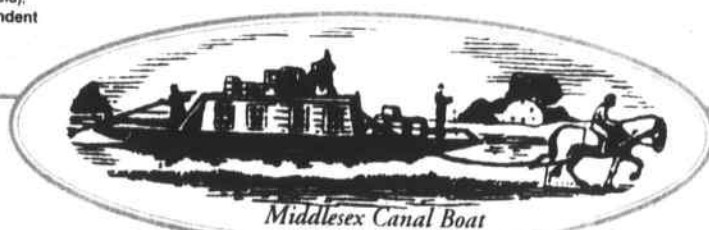
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Gas prices have gone through the roof everywhere, so today Middlesex East thought it would be time to take a ride through our local towns and capture a sampling of the most and least expensive.

The most popular price for regular unleaded seems to be \$2.89 at many local stations. The cheapest we found was \$2.85 at two stations on Main Street, Route 38, Wilmington. The least expensive Super was at a Mobile on south Main Street in Reading at \$2.99. This was the only station we observed that was under \$3.00 for Super.

There were a number at \$2.87 for regular of which several were in Burlington on Cambridge Street. Most of those, no matter which community, were in the low \$3.00 range for super. One station was as high as \$3.33 for super in North Reading. Several were at \$3.20+ including two in Woburn and one in Reading near Route 128.

While this comes as a shock to many, the news broadcasters on radio and TV are saying gas has gone as high as \$3.53 in

California.

If you want to feel bad for yourself and your pocketbook, take a look at the national averages in 2004 and 2003. In 2004 at this time the price was at \$1.85 a gallon for regular. In 2003 the number was \$1.56. Tell us that doesn't hurt.

President Bush has said he will forego stashing gasoline for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve in order to attempt to take the pressure off prices and to hopefully avoid price gouging.

A number of state and federal agencies are also taking a look at price gouging, including the accumulation of massive amounts of profit by certain large petroleum companies.

There has also been interest in local stations where a dealer might buy gasoline at one price and then price it at the pump as if he had paid a higher price.

According to the Energy Information Administration, in 2005 about 8 percent of the cost of gasoline went toward Distribution and Marketing, 27 percent for the cost of Refining and Oil Company Profits, 15 percent accounted for State and Federal Taxes and about 50 percent of the cost of a gallon of gasoline was crude oil. Oil prices climbed to an all time high of over \$75.00 a barrel last week; Tuesday Crude Oil prices fell by nearly a dollar to \$72 a barrel.

America's insatiable appetite for gasoline continues while local businesses that must have it to survive continue to pay the higher price and in many cases pass it along to customers.

Pumping up the profits

The nation's three largest oil and gas companies have reported surging first-quarter profits.

ExxonMobil	\$8.92 billion
ConocoPhillips	\$7.86
Chevron	\$3.97
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Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"THE SENTINEL" A WATCHABLE THRILLER



IN THIS PHOTO PROVIDED BY 20TH CENTURY FOX, Pete Garrison (Michael Douglas, left) confronts David Breckinridge (Kiefer Sutherland), who suspects Garrison of plotting to assassinate the U.S. president in 'The Sentinel.'

(AP Photo/20th Century Fox/Doane Gregory)

"THE SENTINEL" GRADE: ***

The Sentinel is a very watchable thriller, and has enough intrigue to compensate for an all-too-happy ending.

Michael Douglas plays Secret Service agent Pete Garrison, who 20 years ago took a few bullets intended for President Reagan. He's now in charge of handling first lady Sarah Ballentine's (Kim Basinger) detail, and manages to have an affair with her.

Garrison learns from an old informant that an assassination plot against the president exists inside the Secret Service, and quickly Garrison becomes the chief suspect.

The investigation is handled by two agents, David Breckinridge (Kiefer Sutherland, in a role that's very close to his better known incarnation as Jack Bauer on television's "24"), a

former Garrison protege, and Jill Marin (Eva Longoria), a rookie agent.

Director Clark Johnson, whose work on S.W.A.T. in 2003 appeared clunky, gracefully takes on the Secret Service and handles the action scenes gracefully.

The Sentinel is an enjoyable way to spend some time this spring.

MOVIE: "THE WILD" GRADE: **

Talking animals from a New York zoo escape and wind up having a tougher time in the unforgiving jungle than they ever did in captivity. Sound familiar?

If you are a parent who took a child to see Disney's "The Wild" this past weekend, and you also saw last summer's "Madagascar" from Dreamworks, then it should. They are essentially the same picture, and sepa-

rated by just 11 months, a new low as far as Hollywood studios copycatting each other goes.

Even though "The Wild" has supposedly been on the Disney conveyor belt for the past nine years, because Dreamworks beat them to the punch it comes off as a blatant rerun, even though the state of the art animation on display is impressive.

Samson the lion (Kiefer Sutherland) and his buddies Benny the Squirrel (Jim Belushi), Larry the snake (Richard Kind) and Bridget the giraffe (Janeane Garofalo) are the main stars. Disney producers apparently aren't as hip as their counterparts at Dreamworks, who likely wouldn't have missed the opportunity to reference in some way Sutherland's alter ego Jack Bauer from the hit show "24", although some lines do bring the character to mind (such as when he growls, "Just tell me

where the green boxes go!").

MOVIE: "LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN" GRADE: ***

This enjoyable thriller features colorful, offbeat performances and a sharply written script that's packed with snappy, very quotable one-liners.

Josh Hartnett stars as Slevin, an unlucky young man who accepts an offer to house-sit for his friend Nick in New York after his L.A. apartment is condemned and he discovers his girlfriend cheating on him. However, Slevin's streak of bad luck is far from over - as soon as he steps off the plane he loses his ID in a mugging incident.

Things quickly get a whole lot worse when Slevin finds himself mistaken for Nick and caught up in a deadly feud between New York gangster bosses, The Boss (Morgan Freeman) and The Rabbi (Ben Kingsley). And who is the mysterious hit-man type (Bruce Willis) lurking in the shadows?

This is a stylishly directed thriller with many twists. Hartnett's easy-going innocence is well-suited to the role and he makes a good leading man, particularly when snapping off violence-inducing wisecracks.

There's also strong support from both Freeman and Kingsley, and Willis as well. Lucy Liu is great as Lindsey, a sweet, funny and sexy woman who falls for Slevin.

This is an enjoyable thriller with strong cult potential, due to its offbeat performances and its witty, quotable script.

MOVIE: "BASIC INSTINCT 2" GRADE: *

"Basic Instinct 2" is basically the same movie as its predecessor, only there's no Michael Douglas, and the setting has changed from the United States to Europe.

Sharon Stone reprises her role as Catherine Tramell, a possible serial killer who also moonlights as a best-



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selling mystery novelist. Her latest boyfriend, a soccer star (Stan Collymore), has turned up dead, so she again becomes a murder suspect.

This time the investigating officers bring in a forensic psychiatrist, Michael Glass (David Morrissey), to evaluate her mental state. But despite his testimony about her "risk addiction," she's set free to tear up the town once again leaving a wake of bodies in her path.

Catherine next turns up in Michael's waiting room, claiming to want his services as a therapist, and he falls prey to Catherine's seductive charms, and the cadavers begin piling up.

Filmmaker Michael Caton-Jones (2002's "City by the Sea") does his best to replicate the stylings of Paul Verhoeven, who directed the original but the script is filled with bad dialogue.

MOVIE: "INSIDE MAN" GRADE: ***

Spike Lee's Inside Man is dazzling. This bank-heist thriller is urgent, witty and

unpredictable. It's about as much fun as a movie can be.

The film grabs you and never lets go. In the opening minutes, we meet Dalton Russell (Clive Owen), a cool, collected thief who speaks directly to the audience and tells of his plan to rob a Manhattan bank. It's not simply for the money, but because he can.

Disguised as painters, Russell and his three cohorts enter the bank. They disable the security cameras, then strip the hostages and force them to dress in masks and hoods so they're indistinguishable from the thieves.

Enter Frazier (Denzel Washington), an NYPD detective with an inexperienced resume, but an eagerness to match wits with Russell. He's clever and good at reading people. He's also smart enough to know that there's more to Russell's motives than just cleaning out a bank.

Another twist is thrown in when Madeline White (Jodie Foster), a power broker, enters the picture, out to protect

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This is an opportunity to learn about the oldest traction canal in the United States which was dug by hand 27.3 miles from Boston to Lowell.

On Sunday, April 30, a level, 3 mile walk will begin

at the Ramada Inn parking lot. From Rte. 95/128 exit 35 in Woburn. Take Rte 38 south to the Middlesex Canal Drive (first Rt.) past the Ramada Inn to the SE side of the parking lot

Walkers will meet at 1:30 p.m. rain or shine. Wear good walking shoes and dress appropriately.

For additional information please call Roger Hargopian (781-861-7868)

Walk for HAWC on Sunday in Salem

The Walk for HAWC will take place rain or shine on Sunday, April 30, starting and ending at Old Town Hall in Salem. The Walk for HAWC is a five mile walk through historic Salem to raise funds and awareness for Help for Abused Women and their children. Registration and festivities begin at 11 a.m. with the walk stepping off at noon.

The walk will feature live music by Mamadou, the Fred Woodard Trio, 5 Day Weekend, Laura Biddle Band and Rebecca Weintraub. Walk festivities will include activities for children, dance performances by the "In the Makin" and "Bai Chai Dance" troupes, inspiring vocals by Miranda Russell and Susanne Katchko, sandwiches courtesy of Kelly's Roast Beef, and much more.

This year, the Walk for HAWC goal is to raise over \$200,000 to provide life-saving services for victims of violence and their children of Massachusetts' North Shore. Join thousands of North Shore residents who are making domestic violence their business.

To register to walk or donate, log onto www.helpabusedwomen.org or call 978-744-2299, ext. 27 for more information.

HAWC will also be collecting used, unwanted cell phones at the walk. HAWC will prioritize giving these used phones to clients, who will in turn be able to use them for Emergency 911 calls. The balance of collected phones will be sold, and the proceeds will be applied to fund the various advocacy and educational programs provided by HAWC throughout the community.

There will also be exciting items for raffle, including two round trip, domestic tickets on United Airlines, courtesy of Abacus Travel.

Help for Abused Women and their Children (HAWC) provides prevention and free, comprehensive services to victims of violence and their children in 23 cities and towns.

Services include: a 24-hour emergency shelter, children's services, advocacy in courts, police departments and health care, educational and support groups, counseling and education in schools and the community. It is a United Way affiliate.

HAWC and volunteers respond to thousands of women each year. A HAWC phone line is available 24 hours a day at 978-744-6841. For more information call 978-744-8552.

About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

IN CELEBRATION OF MIDDLE ESSENCE

A stop with Sandy (Tewksbury)

"Sandy Barbeau is Assistant to the Town Manager, David Cressman," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"She has been a resident of Tewksbury for fifty years. She says she 'immigrated' to Tewksbury from Billerica as a young girl. She is the mother of three daughters, and Grandmother to three children.

How long have you been Assistant to the Town Manager? "Since September 7th, 1998."

What are your duties in this position? "Basically, whatever the Town Manager gives me to work on. Research projects, correspondence, I pretty much run the office, and funnel the running of the office through other staff members. I act in his capacity when he is on vacation, or if he is out sick."

Before this position, what did you do? "Well, I've actually been working for the

Town since 1969. I was hired as a secretary to the Board of Selectmen, and I worked in that capacity for approximately five years. And then I was promoted to Senior Confidential Secretary. And then in 1985 when the Town Executive Secretary retired, I became Executive Secretary. The Town Manager was hired in 1988, and I stayed on in the position until I was appointed his assistant in 1998."

What is the best part of your job? "I think the best part of the job is dealing with the public. I think it's a challenge. Every day is different. I never know what kind of questions are going to come across the desk. I kind of look at myself as kind of a troubleshooter with the public; trying to solve problems for them dealing with the utility companies; those kinds of things. Even interoffice, with other departments - if someone has a problem with someone in another department that they can't seem to get resolved I try to

work with them, and then ultimately if we can't resolve it, it goes to the Town Manager."

What is the hardest part of the job? "Well, it's not the hardest part of my job right now, but I would have to say when I was appointed Assistant to the Town Manager. My job kind of evolved from being Executive Secretary, because I worked directly for the Board of Selectmen. When I was appointed Assistant to the Town Manager I also maintained the direct bond with the Board of Selectmen, which is actually my boss' boss. So, I not only worked for my boss, but his bosses as well. So it's kind of like a triangle, so I would have to say that was the hardest part

of the job during transition. Right now the hardest part of my job? I don't know that there is a hard part."

What is the most interesting incident that you have dealt with? "Having been here almost thirty seven years, it's hard to pick one most interesting incident."

The job changes daily, it's never the same all the time."

A rendezvous with Rona (Stoneham)

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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

SPEAKING WELL, SHOOTING HIGH, AIMING BIG

Deputy delivers in North Reading

"American Legal Systems is an elective course offered to juniors and seniors at NRHS through the Social Studies Department," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"The course is taught by Department Chairperson Kevin Cyr and often involves guest speakers with experience in the profession."

"Recently, Paul Lucci, Sr., the Deputy Commissioner of Probation for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, addressed the students. For the past few years, Lucci has shared his extensive knowledge and experience in the field of probation with Cyr's students."

"Once again, he delivered a hands-on presentation during which the students saw first hand many of the technological advances in the field of probation."

"Lucci gave the students an overview of the history and development of probation in the Commonwealth and emphasized the dangers of substance abuse which often leads users down a self-destructive path that eventually lands them in prison or involved in the probation system."

"The students really enjoyed getting involved and being a part of the presentation," Cyr said.

"In the past, students in Cyr's American Legal Systems course have also benefited from presentations by other guest speakers, including Fox 25 television legal analyst and civil attorney Jim Barretto, and State Trooper Mark Cyr, who is a gang unit member. In addition, last year students took a field trip to the Middlesex House of Corrections as part of the 'Scared Straight' program."

"I'm appreciative of the continued support I receive from the community in helping make the course practical and relevant to teenagers' lives," Chairperson Cyr said.

Excellent sports represent Wilmington

"Wilmington High seniors Alicia Murray and Alyssa Bibeau were chosen to participate in the Massachusetts celebration of National Girls and Women in Sport Day at Faneuil Hall in Boston," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"This ceremony, which is

sponsored by New Agenda Northeast, Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association and the National Association for Girls and Women in Sport, is held annually to honor female athletes in the Commonwealth. These athletes were chosen because they are positive, contributing members of both their teams and their school."

"Both Murray and Bibeau are three sport athletes at WHS. Both were members of the girls soccer team, part of two Cape Ann League championship seasons, as well as helping the program reach the second round of the state tournament this past fall. Both were also members of the girls basketball team, with Bibeau one of the team's co-captains. The Wildcats qualified for the state tournament."

"Bibeu is a member of the girls tennis team, and Murray is a member of the girls outdoor track team."

"Denise Desautels, a former Hingham High School and Springfield College athlete and a member of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Field Hockey Team, delivered the keynote address...."

Reading crafts a common history

"Superintendent Patrick Schettini and Assistant Superintendent John Doherty recently announced that the Reading School District is overseeing an application to the federal government for a \$1 million grant for professional development of the history departments in Reading, North Reading, Danvers and Lowell."

"According to Doherty, 'The Teaching of American History Grant' provides professional development opportunities for teachers of American history."

"Reading is overseeing the grant application process with the other three communities providing input. If the grant is awarded, Reading Memorial High School History teacher Kara

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

SPORTS SHORTS

•**MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA** Who was the first player selected in the very first National Football League draft? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•**JUNIOR BENTLEY COLLEGE SHORTSHOP STEVE GATH (READING, MASS./READING HS)** has four hits and three steals in a losing effort, as Saint Anselm College held on for a 5-4 win over Bentley in Northeast-10 Conference baseball Thursday afternoon at Sullivan Park.

•**BURLINGTON'S KRISTIN MAHONEY** pitched a no-hitter for

Gleason will be the coordinator.

"The grant would affect an estimated 23,000 students - in grades three, four, five, eight, nine, ten and eleven - in the three school districts over the next three years. The districts are working in partnership with the

University of Massachusetts-Lowell and Primary Source, a professional development organization that does work with the Asian world, United States History and globalization projects."

"Doherty said, 'The grant focuses on content knowledge, instructional knowledge and the use of technology.'"

"Over the three year period of the grant, history teachers would be participating in three summer institutions where they would be sharing ideas, and the participants will also be expected to present their curriculum development at three teacher sharing workshops at the end of each school year...."

"Schettini and Doherty noted that seeking this and other grants is one phase of implementing the new District Improvement Plan

Notes to S-13

UMass-Lowell in the opener of a doubleheader with Assumption College last week. UMass-Lowell won the game 8-0. Mahoney threw five shutout innings, struck out four and walked two to improve to 14-3 thus far in the season.

•Two local scholar-athletes are among 22 students who will be honored by the Eastern Massachusetts chapter of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame on May 8. The two locals are **WAKEFIELD'S THOMAS MCMANAMA** and **WOBURN'S ERIC SKEFFINGTON**.

•Need some help on this week's trivia question? The year was 1936.

•**WILMINGTON'S MEAGHAN SOUZA** was a member of the 12-and-under girls hockey team from Assabet Valley that captured the United States National Championship in Buffalo, New York.

•**WINCHESTER'S JULIE MARINO**, 13, won a gold medal at the recent USASA National Half-Pipe Championships. She also won four regional gold medals on the way to the tourney.

•Four local players have been selected to take part in the 28th annual Aleppo Shriners All Star Football Classic as part of a group representing the top 100 high school football players in Eastern Massachusetts. The four locals are: **WOBURN'S TOM HARTAND MATHIEU OLIVIER**, **READING'S LINDSEY GAMBLE**, and **WAKEFIELD'S SHANE BROWN**. The game will be played at Bentley College in Waltham on Friday, June 23 at 7 p.m., with all proceeds from ticket sales benefiting a transportation program that brings children to Shriners' Hospitals from distant locations.

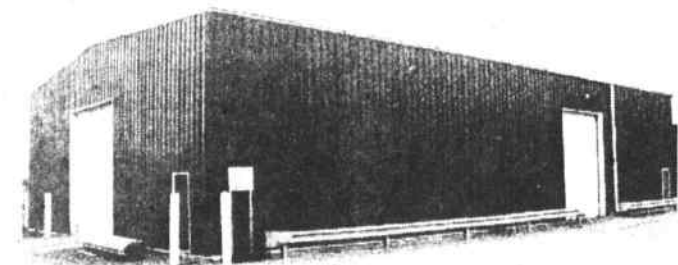
•**THE BURLINGTON HIGH ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME** will induct six individual athletes, one coach, one benefactor and one team at its awards banquet scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. at the Burlington Marriott Hotel on Mall Road. The Class of 2006 inductees are Kevin Sullivan (track and soccer, 1982 graduate), Rick Covenor (wrestling, 1983), Kevin Curtin (baseball, 1983), Nancy Toland Aiello (basketball and softball,

1985), Barry Yeadon (hockey and football, 1974) and Jay Bramanti (basketball and baseball, 1977). The coach is Rick Hayes, boys gymnastics for 35 years, and the benefactor is Bill Fahey. The 1983 wrestling team consists of Paul Vecchi, Kenneth Ryder, Robert Davis, Joe Wagner, Paul Gedick, Rick Covenor, Ed Nadolny, Ron Travaglini, Art Pigott, Richard Marrama, Kevin Borselli, Greg Sturdevant, Scott Pigott, Mike Bauer, Kevin Keene, Eric Anderson, Mike Caterino, Stephen Anderson, Cather Theriault, Robert McLaughlin, Peter McAnespie, Rick Accardi and Jim Davis. The tickets are \$40 per person and can be obtained by contacting athletic director Ed Gillis at BHS at 781-273-7077.

•**ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The very first player drafted in the first NFL draft was Jay Berwanger, a half-back drafted by Chicago in 1936.

•**DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma. 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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Calendar of Events

PLANT SALE IN STONEHAM

The Stoneham Garden Club will hold its Annual Plant Sale and Lobster Roll Luncheon on Thursday, May 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 79 Central Street, Stoneham.

Luncheon starts at 11 a.m. Plants available will be: geraniums, hanging pots, annuals, herbs and perennials from members' gardens.

Proceeds benefit club projects. Call Jane at 781-438-9529.

CHESS CLASSES FOR KIDS

Young people between the ages of 11 and 17 who are interested in learning how to play chess and participate in weekly tournaments are invited to do so at the Boys and Girls Club of Stoneham every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

This program will begin on May 3 and is free for club members. Non-members can sign up for only \$10 which will also allow them to participate in all Boys and Girls Club programs running now through the end of summer.

The Boys and Girls Club's chess program is run by Wakefield resident and attorney Steven Grant. Grant graduated from Suffolk University Law School, where he earned his Juris Doctor while working as a paralegal and law clerk. Before that, he graduated cum laude from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, where he triple majored in Philosophy, Economics and Journalism, distinguishing himself as a Commonwealth Scholar. Steven founded and became President of the U Mass Chess Club while he was there and still plays the game on a regular basis.

The Boys and Girls Club's chess program isn't only for new players. 11 - 17 year olds who already know how to play will have a great time participating in the tournaments and are even invited to take on a special challenge. Anyone who can beat Steven at chess during the month of May will receive a free snack or drink at the Club's snack bar.

For more information on the chess program or any club programs please call 781-438-6770, stop by the Club at 15 Dale Court in Stoneham or visit www.bgcstoneham.org.

RUMMAGE SALE IN NORTH READING

- Faith Circle of the Union Congregational Church, 148 Haverhill Street, North Reading is holding its semi-annual Rummage Sale on Friday, May

12 from 4 - 8 p.m. and Saturday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Admission is free. The sale will offer used clothing for adults and children, white elephants, toys and variety of household items. There will be a "brown bag" sale also.

All proceeds will benefit the Church. Handicap accessible. For more information please call Ms. Phyllis Strong at 978-664-4493.

POETRY READING IN NORTH READING

Ed Meek, author of "Black Ice," will read his poems on Thursday, May 18 at 7 p.m. at the Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park Street in North Reading. Mr. Meek has published articles, fiction and poetry in magazines and newspapers including The North American Review, The Paris Review and the Boston Globe. He teaches English Composition and Creative Writing at Austin Preparatory School.

Following his reading, there will be an open microphone session. People are encouraged to bring a poem to read.

The event is part of the Friends of the Library "Friends Expanding Horizons" series. It is free and open to the public. For more information call 978-664-4942.

LITTLE ROUND TOP IN SALK SERIES

The Civil War Roundtable of the Merrimack will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10 at the Hilton Senior Center, 61 Lafayette Road (Route 1) in Salisbury.

The topic will be "Heroes of Little Round Top" given by Glen LaFantasie. Admission is free and anyone with an interest in America's Civil War is invited to attend.

For more information call Tom at 978-462-8518.

SQUARE DANCE IN WOBURN

A Single Square Hobo Dance will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 7 from 2 to 5 p.m. with Mainstream with 2 PL tips.

The caller is John Hendron, cuer is Barbara Strong. Enjoy homemade soup and sandwiches.

The cost is \$6 per person. Casual dress. Wear a funny hat and win a prize.

The place is St. Anthony's Hall, 1020 Main Street (Route 38 north) Woburn.

For information call Bev 781-272-4185, Dan 781-933-0320 or Eva 781-890-2637.

WINCHESTER MUSIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Winchester Community Music School, 407 Highland Ave. in Winchester is now enrolling

for summer session, June 26 to August 4. Private lessons available on most instruments. New students welcome.

There are a variety of special interest week-long day programs: Music Adventure Weeks, Musical Kaleidoscope, Summer Chamber Music Festival, Festival for Strings-Summer Pops, Summer Percussion Festival and Rock and Blues Rehearsal Band.

Call 781-721-2950 to register or visit www.winchestermusic.org for more information. ERELLI AND O'CONNELL AT LINDEN TREE

The Linden Tree Coffeehouse is winding down its 21st season of acoustic music concerts on Saturday, May 6 at 8 p.m. The night features one of the most gifted and versatile Massachusetts singer-songwriters: Mark Erelli. With clever lyrics, strong storytelling, Mark can

move comfortably from cheerful swing songs to dramatic, heartfelt ballads.

He is witty, contemporary and true to the musical roots of the 30s and 40s. Linden Tree coordinators are also pleased to present a rapidly rising newcomer to the folk scene: Tracy O'Connell.

Mark Erelli grew up in Reading and was discovered only a few years ago as an amazing musician. In a few short years, he has five albums to his name, multiple awards and impressive reputation in modern roots music. Critics find his songs sound "fresh, yet oddly familiar, like something rediscovered on old 78s."

His celebration of his New England roots on his ambitious

"The Memorial Hall Recordings" was a bold mix of original and traditional songs with new arrangements. His goal of recording life, cobwebs and all, was realized when he and his band took up residency in a Civil War Memorial Hall in central Mass.

Opening the show at 8 pm will be Tracy O'Connell. February's Singer Magazine said, "Americana singer-songwriter Tracy O'Connell fruitfully combines spirits of folk, bluegrass, and traditional country on her new all-acoustic album, Durango Red. She captures untainted emotion with her delicate vocals. O'Connell's strength lies in her sweet voice and storytelling ability."

The Linden Tree Coffeehouse is located in the social hall of the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 3267 Main St., Wakefield. Tickets for this show will be \$15 and are available at the door beginning at 7:30 p.m. Home baked goodies and other refreshments will be sold before the show and during intermission.

For more information and reservations call 781-246-2836 or www.LindenTreeCoffeehouse.org.

GIANT INDOOR YARD SALE

A Spring White Elephant and Rummage Sale is being sponsored by the Women's Guild of the Melrose Highlands Congregational Church, located at 355 Franklin Street, Melrose.

This giant indoor yard sale will be held in Fellowship Hall on Friday evening, April 28 from 6 - 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Coffee and donuts available on Saturday.

Proceeds from the sale help support the Guild's charitable and community activities. Handicap access is located at the rear entrance to the church on West Highland Ave.

FIFTH ANNUAL DOORS
OPEN LOWELL MAY 4 - 6

On May 4 through 6 Lowell is throwing open its doors again during National Preservation Month. Doors Open Lowell provides an inside look at over thirty of Lowell's historic buildings, many not normally open to the public. The buildings, located citywide, will be open Thursday and Friday evening, as well as all day Saturday.

The event is a celebration of urban living and culture where people and preservation have made Lowell a creative and exciting place to live and work.

Tour everything from residential lofts in 19th century commercial buildings, offices and homes within former textile mills to historic civic and community buildings still in use today. Look for returning favorites this year and exciting new additions to the roster of participating buildings.

Also back for a third year is Doors Unhinged, an exhibition and silent auction of a collection of whimsical, artistically created and enhanced doors produced by the local cultural community, located at the Pollard Exchange Building, 67 Middle Street.

Schedules and tour routes

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Auditions for the 2006-07 season of Young Opera Company of New England will be on May 26 and 27 in North Reading. Call for appointment to audition or for more information to Elizabeth Bellino, Opera Manager 781-938-1040.

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BOSTON - Are ice cream lovers throughout Massachusetts ready for their first tastes of Martha's Vineyard Black Raspberry, North End Spumoni, Boston Creme Pie, Cape Cod Fudge Shop and Boston Vanilla Bean Ice Creams?

Those are the four Massachusetts tribute flavors among 18 varieties of New England Creamery Ice Cream being introduced in supermarkets by Hood this month. The new premium ice cream line celebrates the heritage and favorite vacation spots of the five New England states. Hood also announced an unprecedented partnership with the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism to cele-

brate travel to beloved destinations across the state.

Eighteen New England Creamery flavors from Vermont Maple Nut to Mystic Lighthouse Mint, all of which are named after favorite seaside resorts, woody cabins and quaint New England getaways, are now available at supermarkets. The 56-ounce containers of New England Creamery Ice Cream, each illustrated with original art evoking New England icons, will retail for \$4.99 to \$5.99.

The New England Creamery Ice Cream flavors celebrating Massachusetts include:

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- Cape Cod Fudge Shop - Real pieces of chocolate fudge in Vanilla Flavored Ice Cream with a Thick Fudge Swirl, evoking the joys of Hyannis, Provincetown and Yarmouth.

- Boston Vanilla Bean - All natural vanilla ice cream, a tribute to Beantown!

- Martha's Vineyard Black Raspberry Ice Cream - Black raspberry flavored ice cream with swirls of delicious raspberry sauce, reflecting the dunes, coves and beaches of this island favorite.

- North End Spumoni Ice Cream - Cherry, pistachio and chocolate ice cream with black cherry pieces, honoring the Italian North End neighborhood of Boston.

Other New England flavors include Maine Blueberry & Sweet Cream, Moosehead Lake Fudge, Bear Creek Caramel, Vermont Maple Nut, New England Lighthouse Coffee, New England Homemade Vanilla, and Mystic Lighthouse Mint Ice Cream. Ice Cream lovers will find surprises in every scoop - such as the coffee-filled, chocolate lighthouses hidden in New England Lighthouse Coffee Ice Cream. Hood is also introducing six churned light flavors with fewer calories and less fat, from Light Under the Stars to Light Butter Pecan.

"Hood has always been New England's hometown dairy," says Lynne Bohan, spokesperson for Chelsea-based HP Hood. "These 18 rich and creamy ice cream flavors offer a delicious tribute to New England vacation icons from the quaint B&Bs of Cape Cod to Vermont's ski lodges and New Hampshire's forests and lake retreats. Each ice cream flavor is crafted with authentic recipes from throughout New England, delivering the mouthwatering taste only found in those favorite New England hideaways."

"We expect that Hood's Massachusetts-inspired ice cream flavors will be popular

not only with our 6.3 million Massachusetts residents," adds Paul J. Sacco, Executive Director of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism, "but also with the 32 million visitors to Massachusetts who come from across the U.S. and overseas."

Hood's partnership with the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism is part of the company's affiliation with the tourism boards of Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont and Maine for its 2006 "Taste of New England Tour." The campaign includes a \$1 million TV advertising blitz, sampling of New England Creamery Ice Cream at events, and a contest featuring prizes donated by the tourism boards. Hood will be promoting the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism's Web site and toll-free number in marketing materials, encouraging consumers to use the Board's travel services and boosting tourism throughout the state.

For more information about where to buy Hood New England Creamery Ice Cream, visit www.Hood.com or call 1-800-726-6455. For information on travel and tourism in Massachusetts, please visit www.massvacation.com.

Founded in 1846, today Hood is one of the largest branded dairy operators in the United States. In Hood's traditional home territory of New England, Hood-branded lines of milk, creams, ice cream, cottage cheese and sour cream regularly rank number one in the six-state

Using technology to help pain treatment

A pioneering new research unit is giving hope to people who suffer from chronic pain.

Medical knowledge of pain is incomplete and reliable data is difficult to produce. But researchers at the new Pain Clinical Research Hub (PCRH) - a unique scientific collaboration between King's College Hospital (KCH) and King's College London (KCL) and Pfizer Limited - will use the latest imaging techniques to look inside the brains and nervous systems of people who are suffering from pain, with the aim of discovering new ways to measure pain, establishing efficacy of new treatments and reducing the time it takes to develop these drugs into new medicines.

Longterm pain is now recognized as a significant element in many physical conditions, which causes a considerable adverse effect on the quality of patients' lives. At worst, chronic pain can be disabling; it is not well characterized and has to be studied more thoroughly in order for it to be managed more effectively.

By providing new diagnostic tools, the PCRH aims to help those patients who are currently receiving inadequate pain management, who need new and more effective treatment.

The PCRH will use state-of-the-art technology, including quantitative sensory testing and electrophysiological studies, as well as cutting-edge imaging techniques, particularly functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI).

These imaging technologies and other clinical techniques have the potential to provide important information on the neural pathways and intensity of the pain experienced by the patient.

Until just recently, researchers have generally relied on patients' individual and often quite different,

impressions of their pain experience. The work undertaken at the PCRH could provide new, objective measures of central activity during both pain perception and response to treatment. Furthermore, the PCRH wants to provide outstanding care to patients, offering new venues for accurate, reliable and objective treatments of pain.

"The Pain Clinical Research Hub is a vital step forward in understanding of pain, what triggers it, how it is experienced physically and the impact of pain on the lives of sufferers and their family members and friends," said professor Sally Davies.

She added, "The research will result in better pain prevention, treatment and management for the hundreds of thousands of people who live with constant and unremitting pain."

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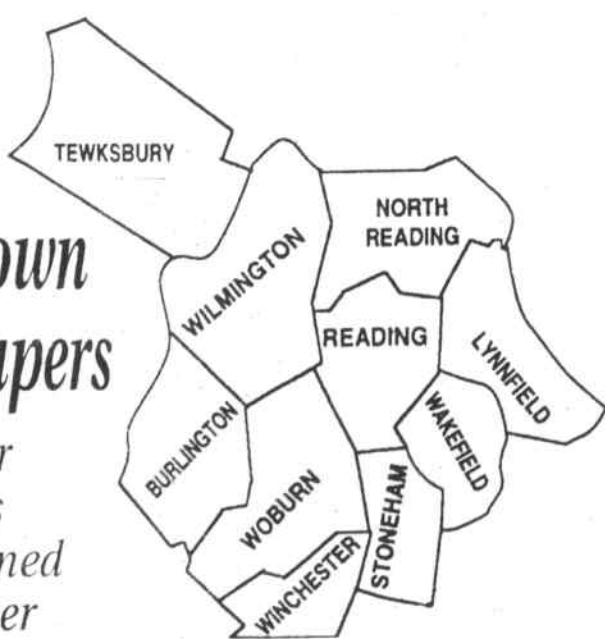
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From S-5

"Great American Music," directed by Lynne McKay, accompanied by Miles Goldberg on Saturday May 6 at 8 p.m. and Sunday May 7 at 1 p.m. at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 235 Park Street in North Reading.

General admission is \$12, seniors, students \$8.

Tickets are available through chorale members by calling 978-664-4800 or at the door.

TEMPLE EMMANUEL EDUCATION SERIES

Based on the success of its winter series, the Continuing Education Committee of Temple Emmanuel of Wakefield announces a 4 week series focusing on medical ethics and Judaism today. Among the issues to be studied are euthanasia, abortion, organ donation and using animals for medical trials.

The class will meet at Temple Emmanuel on 4 consecutive Thursdays beginning on May 4 at 7 p.m. and continue through May 25. Rabbi Mark Newton spiritual leader of the temple will lead the sessions and facilitate the discussions, which are expected to last approximately 1 1/2 hours.

Cost of the series, which is open to the public, is free for Temple members and \$40 for non-members. If interested in attending call Temple Emmanuel at 781-245-1886.

BURLINGTON TEMPLE HOSTS TOT SHABBAT

Temple Shalom Emeth, Burlington will host a Tot Shabbat program on Saturday, May 13 at 10 a.m. at the temple. Following the service, which includes songs and stories, this month the temple's annual "Maccabiah Games" will be celebrated.

For more information call 781-272-2351 or www.uahe.org/ma/tse or call the temple at 272-2351.

GIRL SCOUTS

CAMP OPEN HOUSES

Girl Scouts. Patriots' Trail

Council has announced its 2006 camp open houses. All girls and their families are invited to check-out the six camps within Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Girl Scout Camps welcome all girls. They do not need to be a Girl Scout to sign up. Enjoy a summer of swimming, horseback riding, arts and much more!

The local camp is at Camp Rice Moody in Reading. The date is April 30 1 - 4 p.m. Meet the staff night June 29 6 - 8 p.m.

There are also the following camps: Camp Virginia, Bolton, Ma.; Camp Winnetaska, Ashland, Ma.; and resident camps Camp Favorite, Brewster, Ma. and Wabasso, Bradford, N.H.

MISHAWUM CHORAL SPRING SING
The Mishawum Choral Society will be having its Spring Sing on Sunday May 7 at 3 p.m. at the Woburn United Methodist Church at 23 Main St. (Rte 38) Woburn.

The concert is fun for all ages and is handicapped accessible to all areas of the church.

The tickets are \$12 or \$7 for students and seniors. To order tickets, send a check to: Mishawum Choral Society P.O. Box 135 Woburn, Ma. 01801

See the website at www.mishawumchoral.org or call 781-729-1046.

SUBURBAN ADVENTURE CLUB ACTIVITIES

Suburban Adventure Club for ages 40s through 60s offers 12+ professionally run events per month. Come meet new friends in a fun, casual atmosphere.

Upcoming activities include: Dream Dinners - make meals for a month in 2 hours, Sat. 4/29, 12:30 p.m. N. Andover, \$8 plus food; Trapeze School and Dinner, Sun. 4/30 4:30 p.m. Reading, \$59.

Contact Meg at Suburban Adventure Club for newsletter/reservations 978-663-9495 or www.SuburbanAdventureClub.com.

WHIS CLASS

OF '76 REUNION

The Class of '76 of Wilmington High has announced

its 30th reunion will be held on November 24 at the Doubletree Hotel in Lowell.

Members of the class who would like further information are asked to call Ken Liston at 978-374-0522 or email Boomer_Liston@yahoo.com.

STRESS REDUCTION TECHNIQUES

Wakefield Community Education is offering a 4 week seminar on Wednesdays May 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the Wakefield High School, room 2116.

This course will teach how to modify reactions to stress and how it is a choice. Fee: \$25 per person. To register or obtain more information call 781-246-6444.

FACULTY RECITAL IN WINCHESTER

The Winchester Community Music School Faculty Recital features soprano Melissa Glaister along with soprano Norina Rowen, mezzo soprano Courtney Jackson, flutist Michelle Nover and accompanist William Merrill

They will be performing works by Bach, Mozart, Handel, Rodrigo, Stephen Foster and John Jacob Niles.

The performance is Monday, April 24 at 7 p.m. at the Winchester Community Music School, 407 Highland Ave. in Winchester. Free admission. For more information call 781-721-2950 or www.winchestermusic.org.

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Tickets are on sale now. \$125 buys an elimination raffle ticket and the option for two people to attend the event. Dinner tickets may be purchased separately for \$25 each. You must purchase one elimination raffle ticket to attend the event.

For more information contact Lori Jackson, Mother's Club President at 781-233-5313 or lj21@comcast.net.

PHOTOGRAPHICA SHOW IN WATERTOWN

A Photographica Show and Sale will be held at the Armenian Cultural and Educational Center (ACEC), 47 Nichols Ave., Watertown on Sat. April 29 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sun April 30 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Early Bird Special Sat 7:30 a.m. and Sun. 8 p.m.

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Massage therapists sought for PanMass Challenge

A local non-profit organization is offering a \$500 scholarship that will be awarded this June to a deserving Massachusetts High School senior who will continue his or her education in an animal or environmental-related field and has documented community service. Applications, which are available online at www.ncecp.org, are due by May 26, 2006.

The National Coalition for Educational and Cultural Programs, Inc., with support from the Stoneham Savings Bank and Community Connections Yellow Pages has given this scholarship annually since 2001 to keep the memory of Major the Polar Bear alive, while fostering higher education.

Donations in any amount are greatly appreciated and limited edition Cat's Meow collectibles are also available to help sustain the scholarship for future years.

The collectibles can be purchased by mail for \$15 to NCECP, P.O. Box 80255, Stoneham, or at the Book Oasis, located on Main Street in Stoneham.



HUMPTY DUMPTY IS READY FOR SUMMER! CREEPY CRAWLERS, Musical Expressions and Encounters with Aliens are just a few of the themed camps available for campers aged 2.9 to 6 years for the upcoming summer. Humpty Dumpty is located on Lowell Street in Reading and Director Jacqueline Duffy can be reached at 781-944-3049 for more information about summer programs. (Courtesy photo)

Local Residents Speak at Austin Prep's Career Day

High school students at Austin Preparatory School recently took advantage of the opportunity to develop their thoughts on future career paths as part of the school's fifth annual Career Day on Wednesday, March 29th, 2006. Thirty alumni, parents and friends spoke to the students about their chosen professional fields, including architecture, law, screenwriting, law enforcement, performing arts and many others.

Attorney Christopher Carbone, a 1993 Austin graduate, was the keynote speaker at the day's opening assembly. Carbone recently opened his Woburn-based firm, the Law Offices of Christopher Carbone.

He stressed the importance of flexibility and individuality in pursuing a career, saying, "If you try

to be like someone else, try to emulate them, all you will ever be is a pale imitation. Be yourself and do things the way you think they need to be done."

Carbone also noted the importance of knowing oneself, adding, "If you figure out who you are and what makes you happy, picking a career will be easy."

Following the assembly, students participated in three sessions selected according to their personal career interests. Speakers told students about their career paths, what a typical day in their job is like, and what makes their career a good fit for them.

The students also had the opportunity to ask questions of the presenters. At the conclusion of the sessions, each of the presenters was escorted by a National Honor Society member to a reception, where they were able to network with other professionals participating in the event.

Local residents participating in this year's Career Day

included:

BURLINGTON

Tim Igo, Account Executive, AdviseX Technologies LLC

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Dona Cady, Professor, Middlesex Community College, Robin Thulin, Physical Therapist, CareGroup Home Care

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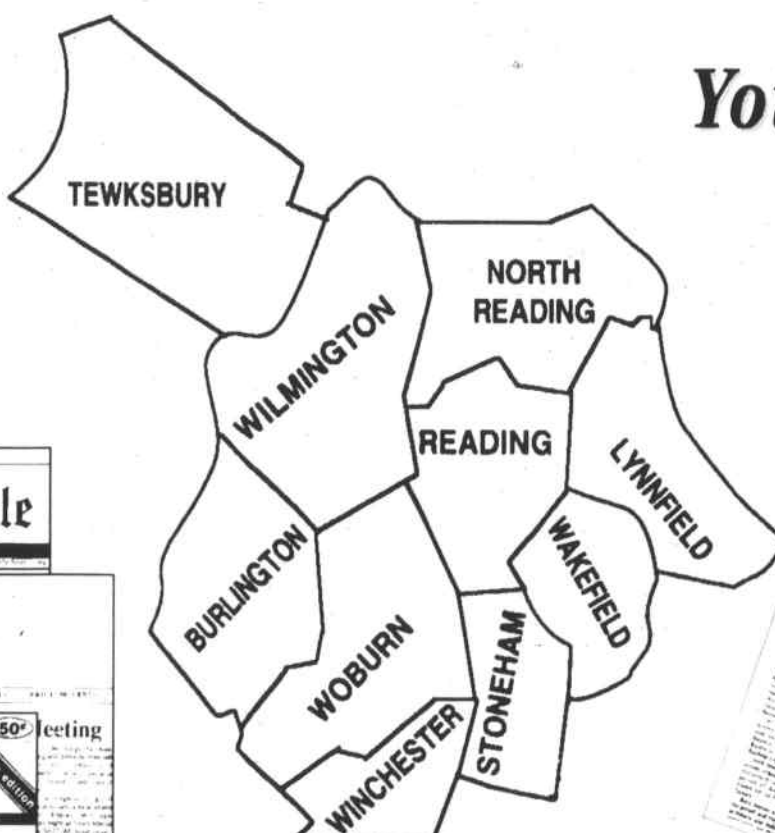
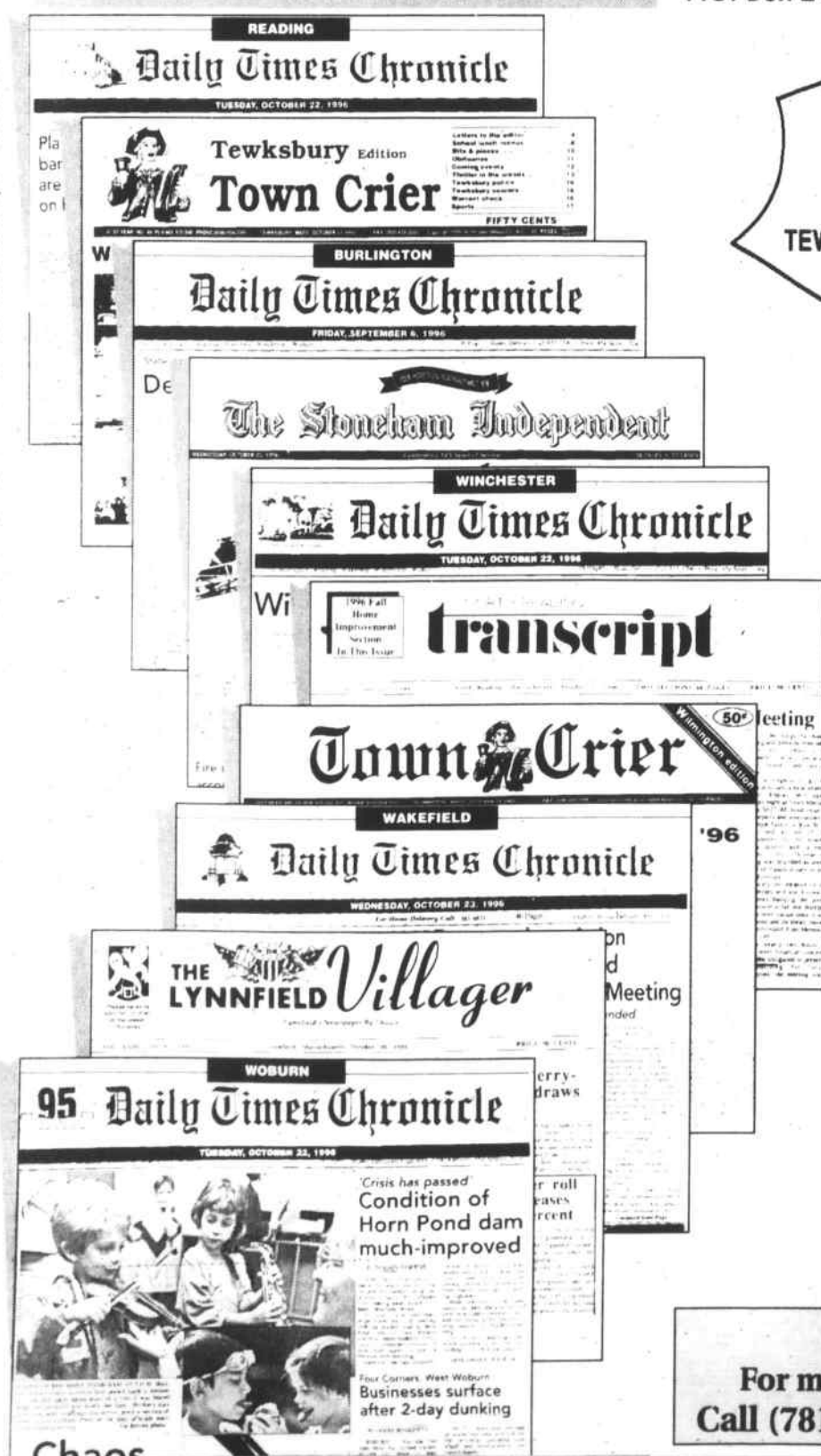
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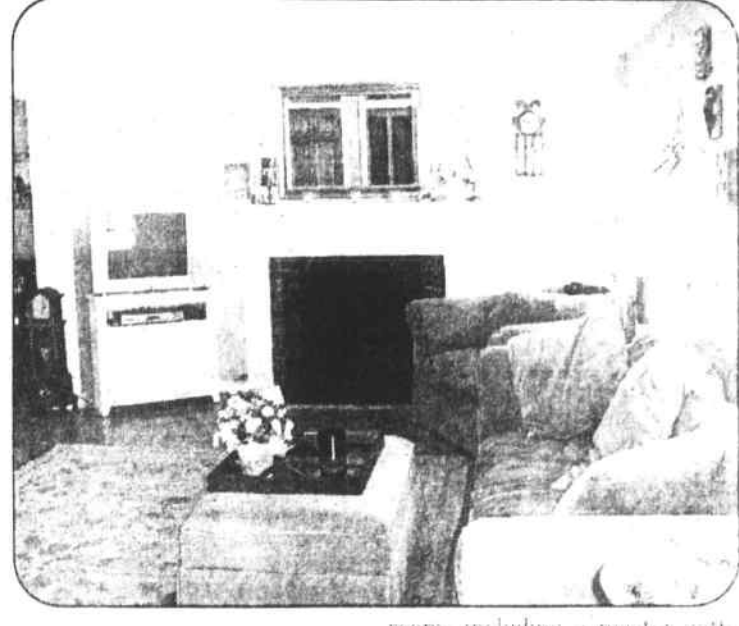
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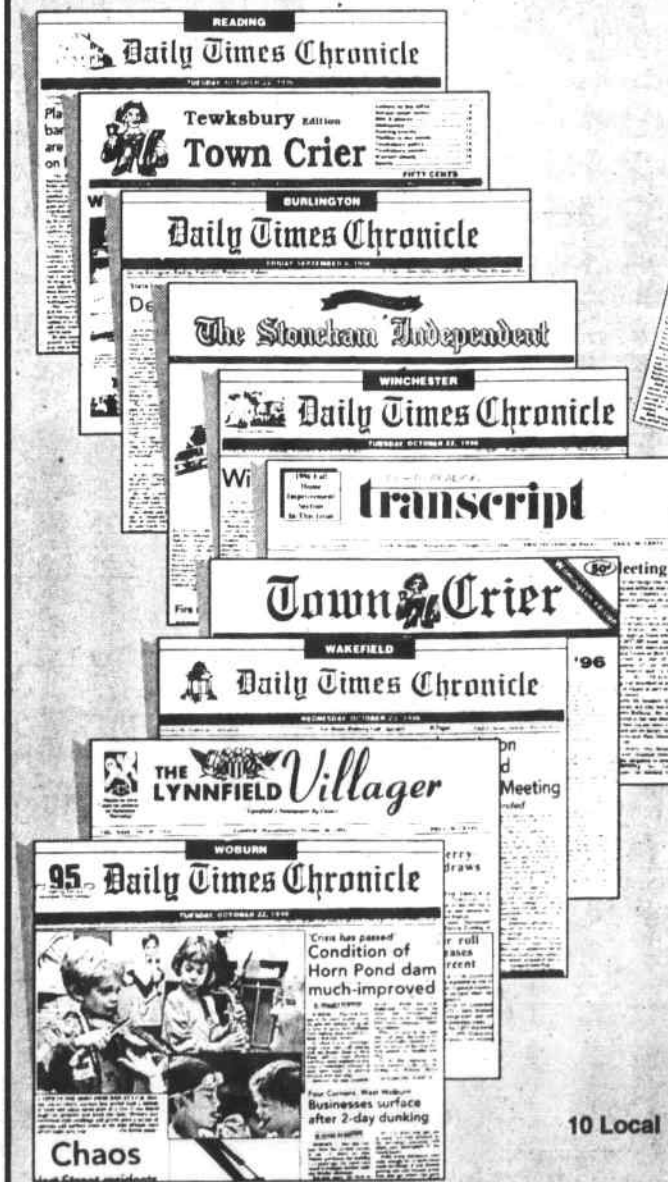
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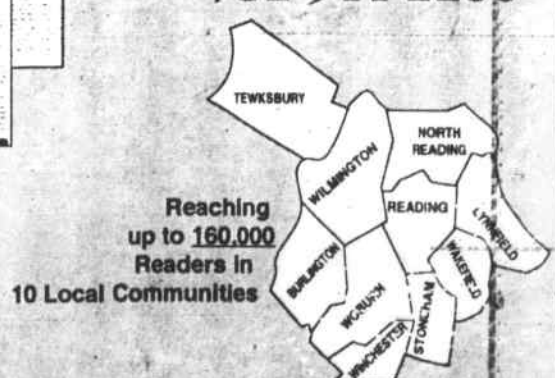
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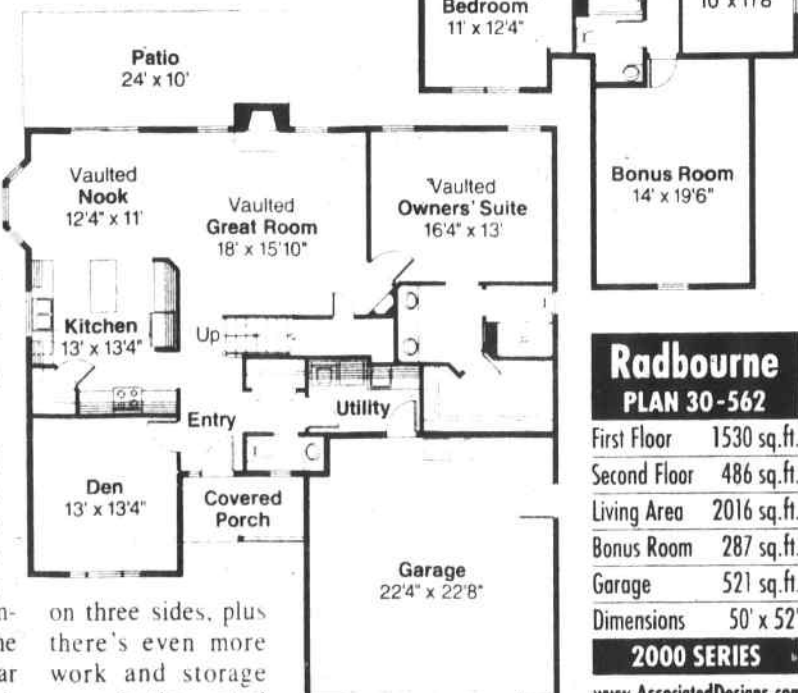
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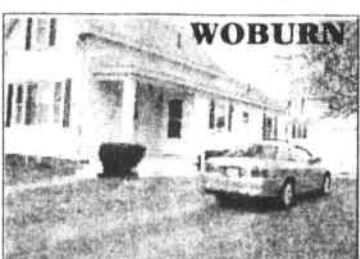
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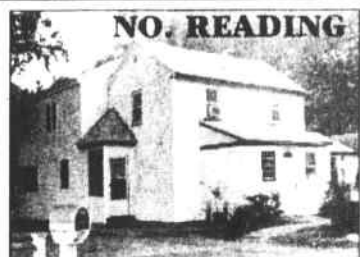
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279 CAMBRIDGE STREET U:A5 was sold to Merita and

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Vladimir Habibi by Eleni Drakos for \$160,000.

7 COLLEGE ROAD was sold to Stephen Worsham by James McCann for \$348,000.

2 HALLMARK GARDENS U:4 was sold to Paul Cacciola by Bonnie and Daniel Matthews for \$189,000.

3 PONTOS AVENUE was sold to AV RT and Anthony Scalzilli Tr. by John Murray for \$205,000.

28 SKILTON LANE was sold to Josema Richter by Shirley Royal for \$305,000.

2 SYLVESTER ROAD was sold to Arcenia Soto-Mejia and Marie Jean by Christopher Harbert and Laura Serafino-Harbert for \$425,000.

-LYNNFIELD-

Median Price: \$545,000

20 FAIRVIEW ROAD was sold to Judith Gunning and William Gunning Jr. by Maureen Callahan for \$430,000.

17 PINE STREET was sold to Moustafa Eltelbani by Pine Street Nt. and Eileen Cronin Tr. for \$480,000.

725 SALEM STREET was sold to Barnard Platt by Schlotman Lynnfield T. and Peter Lutze Tr. for \$535,000.

-NORTH READING-

Median Price: \$440,000

20 BURDITT ROAD was sold to Peter and Tara Surette by Eric Pepper and Joline Romano-Pepper for \$340,000.

4 CROSWELL CORNER was sold to David Michael Uva and Sharon Munro-Uva by New Campbellton Rt. and D. Bruce Wheeler for \$1,084,908.

16 LINWOOD AVENUE was sold to Cecelia and Wayne Decoteau by Linda and Stephen Parr for \$290,000.

15 MAIN STREET U:5 was sold to Mark Pietrafitta by Edward McNaught and Kathy Cullity for \$158,000.

40 MAIN STREET U:18 was sold to Shawn Lawson by Moustafa El-Teblani for \$183,500.

41 MAIN STREET U:3 was sold to Christopher Tripoli by Norma Murphy for \$146,000.

3 PINECREST ROAD was sold to Tracy Hadley by Anthony Scheri and Gina Gangitano for \$310,000.

-READING-

Median Price: \$438,000

10 BROWNING TERRACE was sold to Armando and Laura Villarroel by Lois Midwood for \$422,000.

170 FRANKLIN STREET was sold to Lucie and Stephen

Debellis by Kevin Scott and Shireen Rich for \$395,000.

136 GROVE STREET was sold to Allen Gordon and Andrew Davis by Laurel Dudley for \$301,000.

609 HAVERHILL STREET was sold to Thomas Bringola by Annie Mellen for \$330,000.

264 HIGH STREET was sold to Noeline Morrissey by David Ferrullo for \$450,000.

60 HIGHLAND STREET was sold to Karl and Samantha Weld by April and Bruce Bergeron for \$515,000.

132 HOWARD STREET was sold to Leigh and William Fuller by David Blunt for \$338,000.

241 MAIN STREET U:C3 was sold to George Turner by Karen Ward for \$185,500.

1067 MAIN STREET was sold to Carmela Barletta by Christopher and Rosalee Scozzari for \$420,000.

13 NELSON AVENUE was sold to Brandy Previti and Michael Previti by Nelson Theodore for \$265,900.

8 NICHOLS ROAD was sold to Jaime and Paul McGonagle by 21-23 Echo Avenue Rt. and Leslie McGonagle for \$500,000.

680 PEARL STREET was sold to Allison and John Vanhorn by Juliann and Mark Giovanniello for \$412,000.

16 SANBORN STREET was sold to Reading Coop bank by Mary Gail Ranaldi for \$700,000.

259 SUMMER AVENUE was sold to Christopher Soria and Leslie Soria by Hao Phan for \$755,500.

605 SUMMER AVENUE U:234 was sold to Ann Marron by Allison Hanifan-Vanhorn for \$217,560.

605 SUMMER AVENUE U:211A was sold to Mary Somers by Marlene Phillips and Marlene Copolaro for \$266,000.

605 SUMMER AVENUE U:249 Joann Smith and Kenneth Jack by Marion Munro and Janet Chesley for \$273,000.

73 WOBURN STREET was sold to JP McLennan Realty LLC by David Barrett for \$480,000.

-STONEHAM-

Median Price: \$396,950

13 AVALON ROAD was sold to Elisa and Sean Daly by Geraldine McNulty and Paula Moore for \$343,000.

19 GOULD STREET was sold to Mark Scarfo and Melyssa Falletti by Brian and Kimberly Albushies for \$360,000.

HAMILL COURT was sold to Andsci LLC by Nancy Carroll for \$500,000.

64 MAIN STREET U: 16B was sold to April Siepka by Ann and Roger Bevilacqua for \$250,000.

200 PARK TERRACE DRIVE U:252 was sold to Rosanne Russo by Steven Porcaro for \$199,500.

115 WESTWOOD ROAD was sold to Jill McElroy and Michelle White by Lori and Michael Masucci for \$464,900.

12 WILSON ROAD was sold to Robert Lawler and Tara Campagna by Wendy Gordon and Wendy Taylor for \$390,000.

61 WRIGHT STREET U:302 was sold to Janine McGrath by Doreen Vozzella and Elaine Dulcetta for \$247,500.

-TEWKSBURY-

Median Price: \$350,000

296 APACHE WAY U:296 was sold to Kenneth and Laura Constantine by Edward and Mary Humble for \$285,000.

55 BALLARD STREET was sold to Elizabeth and Jeffrey Peden by Kimberly and William Welch for \$366,000.

51 BLIGH STREET was sold to Michal Sprycha and Nora Tgavalekos by Anthony Dello Russo for \$427,000.

117 BRADFORD ROAD was sold to Doris Freeman and Ivan Freeman Jr. by Roberts Rt. and Steven Roberts for \$519,900.

775 CHANDLER STREET was sold to Kristine and Marc Ricci by Barbara McKenzie and Mary Desantis for \$310,000.

13 GRASSHOPPER LANE was sold to James Sullivan and Mara Sarhanis by Brook and Sylvia Stevens for \$332,000.

11 JAY STREET was sold to Catherine Kendig and Peter Lundin by Marie Rosette for \$305,000.

5 KNOLLWOOD ROAD was sold to Maria Rocha by Linda and Vito Aiello for \$394,000.

50 LUCILLE DRIVE EXTENSION was sold to Kevin and Shireen Scott by Renee Dionne-Brothers and William Brothers for \$550,000.

1501 MAIN STREET U:22 was sold to Patrick Shanley by Hugh

Transfers to S-13

Movies

from S-2

have a talk with your father," he wearily tells the child playing the game.

something in the building that the bank's chairman (Christopher Plummer) wants to keep hidden. To say more would be to give away too much.

Spike Lee has never directed a thriller before, but he shows he has mastered the genre and has a blast with this one.

In addition to the cops and robbers games, the movie touches on questions of race. When a hostage sporting a turban is released, the police shout, "He's an Arab!" "I'm a Sikh," the terrified man says, and it's sad and funny at the same time. In another sequence, Russell is shocked to see a violent handheld video game depicting the gangsta lifestyle. "I'm going to have to

The three top-billed performers are terrific. Owen has the difficult job of delivering most of his performance through a mask, but his icy calm is eerie and powerful. Foster sheds her recent victim roles ("Panic Room, Flightplan") to become take-no-prisoners White, and she attacks the role with an electricity that chills. Washington oozes charisma in his role and projects a power that is smooth and slightly dangerous.

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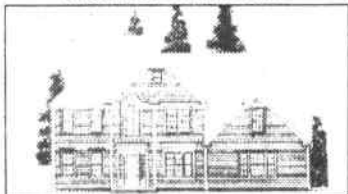


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One of a kind, truly remarkable 13 room Colonial world world elegance in MacIntyre Estates. Heated 3 car garage, prof media rm & cherry floors. Beautiful private level lot w/open space abutting back yard. \$1,395,000

STONEHAM



1st Offer! 2 bedroom Condo in back corner, quiet & private. New custom design kitchen, elevator, on-site laundry room, off street parking. Near Rtes. 93 & 95. \$249,000

WILMINGTON



Immaculate oversized 3+ bedrm, 3 full bath split on 1+ acre lot. Finished lower level. Fireplaced fam rm, cathedral ceilings. Walking distance to train & stores. \$519,900

NORTH READING



Maj 11 rm, 4 bdrm, 4 bath Colonial on 1+ acre lot in sought after cul-de-sac lot. Home boasts gorg kit, SR, MBR w/14' ceilings & ext liv area. \$919,900

NORTH READING



Priced to sell. Quality center entrance Colonial with extended family area & au pair suite. 13 rooms, 4 bedrooms & 5 baths. Very versatile floor plan, 3 car garage. \$849,900

NORTH READING



Meticulously maintained 10 rm, 4 bdrm, 3 1/2 bath Colonial on 1.22 acres. Great kit, maple cabinets, lin walk-out LL w/wet bar & game rm. Very desirable neighborhood. \$199,000

NORTH READING



Don't put your parents in the basement! Plenty of rm for everyone w/ 4 yr old, 1100 sf addition on the main level. Main house is gorg 9 rm, 4 bdrm Col on quiet cul-de-sac. Offers new kit w/ssl, hwd flrs, tp liv rm & fam rm, lge bdrms & 4 baths w/new roof & septic sys & gar for 6 cars. \$849,000

READING



3 two bdrm townhouses available. All new unit. Great location, walk to town & train. Near Rtes 93 & 95. Open flr plans, HWF & new state-of-the-art kitchens, attic storage, bsmt, 2 prkg spaces ea. \$309,900 & \$314,900

READING



Well maintained S/E with hardwood floors, open oak kitchen with breakfast bar, new roof. Walk to town center and trains. Finished lower level. \$405,000

NORTH READING



Open House Sunday Haverhill/Marblehead/Lot 1, Old Coach Rd. Welcome to Great Lot Estates! Superb new 11 rm neighborhood surrounded by conservy land & equestrian paths. Grand quality w/wrld class amenities by Habitch. From \$919,900

WOBURN



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1st Offer! One of Fox Hill's finest neighborhoods. 3,134 sf 10 rm Colonial w/state of the art kitchen, hwd flrs thru 1st floor, sunroom w/glass ceiling, master bdrm suite w/sitting room. Heated pool. \$739,900

WAKEFIELD



Spacious 2 family in great neighborhood near town square, lake & public transportation. Includes bay windows, hwd flrs, 2 porches, deck & walk up attic. \$524,900

TEWKSBURY



1st Offer! Wonderful, spacious, move right in condition 8 room, 1 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath townhouse with 4 levels of living space. \$319,500

BURLINGTON



1st Offer! Remodeled 54' Ranch. New tile kitchen w/maple cabinets, large master bedroom w/cathedral ceiling & ceiling fan. \$359,900

NO. READING



Young 10 room, 3.5 bath, 5 bedroom Colonial on 3 acre lot. Gourmet kitchen w/Wolf appliances, the master ref, custom cherry cabinets, gr boyer opens to 2nd floor. Master bath w/floor to ceiling frameless steam shower, soaking tub. \$1,165,000

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1st Offer! Bright 3 bedroom home located in the Shawheen Commons. No HOA fees and own your own land. Quiet neighborhood & close to Rtes 128 & 93. \$324,900

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Transfers From S-12

Fitzpatrick for \$30,000.

61 MARSTON STREET was sold to Peter Louis Annesse by David and Nancy Kupfrian for \$369,000.

16 MERRIMACK MEADOWS LANE U:16 was sold to Pamela and Stephen Thompson by Dina and Lon Dean Poulos for \$300,000.

88 MERRIMACK MEADOWS LANE U:88 was sold to Jean Wood by Sandra Wentzell for \$311,500.

91 PATRICK ROAD U:91 was sold to Dale and Mark Cassino by John Klem for \$275,000.

186 PATRICK ROAD U:186 was sold to Derek Favreau by Marta Bodnar for \$245,000.

PROSPECT HILL DRIVE (MULTI) was sold to Topnotch Homes LLC by Ames Hill Dev. LLC for \$3,360,000.

93 QUAIL RUN U:93 was sold to Matthew Colarusso by John and Kelly EM Slocum for \$290,000.

4 ROCKVALE ROAD was sold to Sandra Wentzell by Steven Fortune for \$360,000.

27 SCOTLAND DRIVE was sold to Kimberly Welch and William Welch by Betsy and Carl Tenenbaum for \$690,000.

95 STATE STREET was sold to Renee Gylphe and Shawn Auger by Judi and Stephen Bavota for \$275,000.

16 TANGLEWOOD AVENUE was sold to David Harris by Tamie Balestrieri by Jamaica Avenue Rt. and James Mangano Tr. for \$307,500

-WAKEFIELD-

Median Price: \$428,750

272 ALBION STREET U:17 was sold to Barbara Robinson by Paul Brzerenski for \$240,000.

50 BARTLEY STREET was sold to Karen and Louis Perriello by Angela and James Keane for \$425,000.

11 COLUMBIA ROAD U:8 was sold to Elizabeth Kiley by 11 Columbia Road Rt. and Matthew Piccione for \$165,000.

19 GREENWOOD STREET was sold to Jo Ann Taibbi and Patricia Lee by Jo Ann Taibbi for \$215,000.

56 HARRISON AVENUE was sold to Melissa Jameson and Mustafa Sheikh-Abdou by David and Kristina Poggi for \$395,000.

380 LOWELL STREET U:201A was sold to John Gehrish and Leonard Dorlando by Lion Rt. and Anthony Serino for \$75,000.

380 LOWELL STREET U:201B was sold to John Gehrish and Leonard Dorlando by Lion Rt. and Anthony Serino for \$75,000.

915-919 MAIN STREET was sold to 912 Wakefield LLC by Donald Doucette for \$373,100.

122 NAHANT STREET was sold to Aneette Smith by Heather Cleary and Heather Trenholm for \$335,000.

211 NAHANT STREET was sold to Kenneth Alepidis by Deanna McLaughlin and Deanne Mahoney for \$360,000.

Costello by Douglas Russell and Mary Beth Russell for \$387,000.

8 PARKER ROAD U:5 was sold to Melissa Ryan by HB Dev Corp. for \$296,500.

40 RICHARDSON STREET was sold to Stephen Ingalls by Barbara Robinson for \$375,000

76 WEST PARK DRIVE was sold to Suzanne Zani by Elaine Zani for \$485,000.

41 WOODLAND ROAD was sold to Jason and Robin Donoghue by Catherine Lahave for \$320,000.

-WILMINGTON-

Median Price: \$390,000

81 BUTTERS ROW was sold to Jana and John Troiano by Eleanor and Norman Johnson for \$395,000.

16 CEDAR STREET was sold to Nancy Rodriguez and Wilbert Molina by Keneth and Linda Sugarman for \$343,000.

17 FIORENZA DRIVE was sold to Akram Taheri by Andover Heights Dev. Corp. for \$765,000.

3 HOBSON AVENUE was sold to Lynn and Nancy Macalagay by B&D Rt. and Brian Anderson Tr. for \$399,000.

20 JACOBS STREET was sold to Gia and Thomas Bradley by Jacobs Street Rt. and James Mangano for \$514,900.

35 MARCIA ROAD was sold to Eileen and Vernon Doane by Edward Silva for \$420,000.

11 MARIE DRIVE was sold to Harry and Marie Mallebranche by Ann Marie Rando for \$605,000.

4 STATE STREET was sold to Daniel and Stacey King by Paul Latour for \$495,000.

1 STONEHEDGE DRIVE was sold to Patricia Profera and Stephen Schultz by Jeffrey and Mary Curtis for \$546,000.

25 TOWPATH DRIVE was sold to Jeffrey and Mary Curtis by Peter Barry for \$765,000.

-WINCHESTER-

Median Price: \$867,500

31 ARLINGTON STREET was sold to Kenneth and Lisa Lampert by Jeanne Manning for \$1,128,500.

9 BACON STREET U:11 was sold to Carla Delellis and Sean Sturgis by Catherine Robertson and Catherine Greene for \$521,000.

9 CHAPIN STREET was sold to 9 Chapin Street LLC by Gurrissi Ft. and William Gurrissi for \$750,000.

13 HIGHLAND VIEW AVENUE was sold to John Zach Barile and Vicky Barile by Jennifer Stone for \$425,000.

5 LONGFELLOW ROAD was sold to Bridget and Gerard

-WOBBURN-

Median Price: \$365,000

25 ARLINGTON ROAD U:32 was sold to Melissa Joy Tremblay by Linda E. Lebert for \$163,000.

27 ARLINGTON ROAD U:14 was sold to Jason King by James and Marcine Otis for \$238,750.

22 BEDFORD ROAD was sold to Flavia Potaris by Joanne and Michael Mims for \$475,000.

96 CAMBRIDGE ROAD was sold to Anthony Dire and Matthew Mayo by Deborah Silva and Lori Callahan for \$235,000.

123 CAMBRIDGE ROAD U:B was sold to Javed and Sabina Lalava by Independence Realty LLC for \$215,000.

96 EASTERN AVENUE U:2 was sold to Frantz and Marie Pinard by Didier Barnes-Guzman for \$260,000.

25 ERIE STREET was sold to Bertide Seide and Pierre Neptune by Maureen Kelly and Michael Caggiano for \$302,500.

8 GARDEN TERRACE was sold to John Casey Jr. by Robert and Robert Knoetner for \$295,000.

1 HILLTOP TERRACE was sold to Brian and Kelly Trask by Brenda Berg and Brenda Campo for \$356,000.

1 HUDSON STREET was sold to Wilfredo Soriano by Robert Toner and Sean Jarvis for \$310,000.

30 PARK DRIVE CA was sold to Jeremy Anderson by Debra Bohrer and Debra Mahlenkamp for \$292,000.

295 SALEM STREET U:89 was sold to Glen Doyle and Jane Lane by Salem Place LLC for \$414,000.

9 SPRING COURT was sold to Abilio and Rosa Fonseca by Mary Reddy for \$437,500.

4 SUSAN TERRACE was sold to Clovis Ribbens by Darlene and Harry Paras for \$395,000.

TORY ROW L:25-B was sold to Richard Lichoulas by Albert Lichoulas and Catherine Lichoulas for \$200,000.

53 TREMONT STREET L:1-4 was sold to Darlene and Harry Paras by GCG Rt. and Catherine Gately Tr. for \$630,000.

Notes

From S-4

that was approved last year by the School Committee. However, they also noted that they are being selective in the grants they apply for.

"We've been very aggressive with grants this year," Schettini said.

"Doherty added, 'We don't want to apply for grants for the sake of applying.'"

"The grants have to support our initiatives," Schettini explained.

"It is hoped that the winners of the grant will be announced by June."

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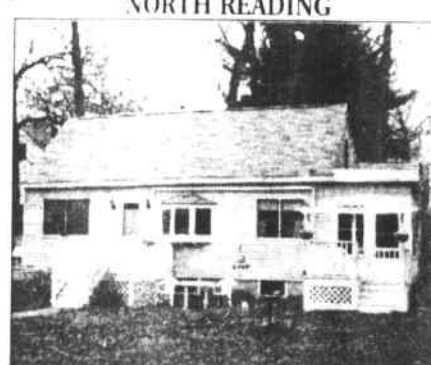
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NORTH READING



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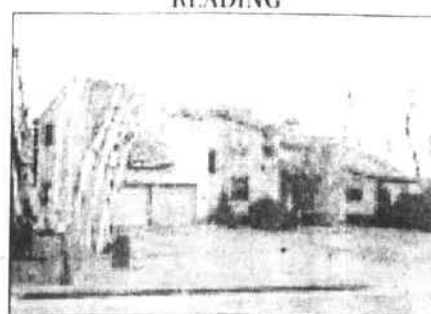
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MALDEN



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Do your planting indoors for a green home or office

(SPM Wire) It's time to work on your garden again and you shouldn't forget to develop your green thumb inside your home or office, as well as outdoors this season.

By placing plants at your desk, in your child's study room, or around the house, not only can you reduce harmful toxins in the air (such as formaldehyde, benzene, and ammonia), you can increase productivity, decrease stress, and reduce common health complaints, according to the Plants at Work Campaign.

According to several research studies, plants can increase productivity by 12 percent, boost innovative thinking and problem-solving skills, absorb up to five decibels of sound and eat up the nasty toxins swirling around any indoor environment.

And getting green indoors isn't really all that complicated, according to Plants At Work. This international education organization has assembled some easy to implement simple steps to a greener life at work and at home.

- * Sneezing, wheezing or loud sounds got you down? Take a walk around your office to locate places where you commonly find people sneezing or complaining about headaches. Is there an annoying co-worker who plays his music too loud? Place a few Spider Plants or Peace Lilies around to help solve the problems.

- * Get your co-workers and boss on the "Green Plan." Due to the boost in aesthetics, mood and health, many large corporations have successfully used office plants as employee incentives, even promising bigger, nicer plants with each promotion.

- * Check out your home's light-

ing conditions. If you have had troubles keeping a plant alive at home, your "black thumb" probably is because your plants weren't in the right light.

- * For your home's sunny spots: The Aloe Vera plant, releases oxygen and is a nocturnal carbon dioxide remover. The Gerbera Daisy, not only will bring a little color to your room, but is extremely effective in removing chemical vapors from the air.

- * For semi-sun areas: The Dumb Cane is easy to maintain and has a big appetite for toxins. The Snake Plant, similar to the Aloe Vera, releases oxygen and absorbs carbon dioxide at night.

- * For semi-shade areas: The Peace Lily will make your space more tranquil as it removes alcohols, benzene and formaldehyde from the air.

- * For areas with shade or no light: The gorgeous and elegant Zeze delivers all the green benefits without any sunlight and, the best part, little to no maintenance.

- * Are there rooms in your home that just scream for green? For study areas or the den you may want to consider adding additional plants to help absorb sound and boost productivity. Plants in the entryway can make your home more inviting and decrease stress levels.

- * For bedrooms, consider a plant such as the Aloe Vera or the Snake Plant that releases oxygen and absorbs carbon dioxide at night.

The Plants at Work organization, now in its fifth year, educates millions of people each month on the measurable benefits of interior plants. To learn more, visit www.plantsatwork.org on the Internet, or call (800) 347-9014.

Despite slow changes, the plumbing industry today uses more effective methods and materials.

(ARA) - In many ways, today's modern baths seem a far cry from the outdated, germ-ridden plumbing systems of the past. Yet, archaeologists have confirmed that the first operational toilet dates back more than 2,800 years. (Interestingly, it has only been in recent years that it was discovered that China, not London's Thomas Crapper, should be credited for the innovation.)

Changes in plumbing design occurred slowly after that major breakthrough, however. In fact, when Colonists packed for the New World, it is likely they took old-fashioned chamber pots with them. Along the way came the development of the outhouse, which provided privacy but did nothing to carry away waste. It was Thomas Jefferson, a successful architect and inventor when not distracted by politics, who developed a unique indoor privy at his Monticello home by rigging up a system of pulleys.

Even hotels, which were perceived to be the picture of luxury and comfort, didn't have indoor plumbing until 1829 when a hotel in Boston became the prototype of a modern, first-class American hotel with its indoor bathroom facilities.

Bathing facilities were also nearly non-existent up until the last 150 years, largely because many considered submerged bathing to be a health

hazard. Later it was discovered that poor water supplies were the cause of many water-borne illnesses, not bathing. Still, the task of filling and emptying a large tub of water with only a hand pump and pail did not seem worth the effort, except for only the wealthiest individuals who had servants for the task.

It was not until the mid 1800s that finer new homes were being built with separate bathrooms for the first time. Once the idea of a dedicated bathroom caught on, however, the plumbing business boomed. Within one 25-year period of American history (between 1929 and 1954) alone, sales by distributors of plumbing products and heating equipment rose from \$498 million to \$2.3 billion, an amazing 367 percent increase!

With all the money being invested, it's little wonder that today's baths represent some of the most luxurious, eye-catching rooms in the home being accented with such precious materials as gold, malachite, tiger eye, onyx and marble. Yet, some of the biggest developments to happen in the bath are the least obvious because they have occurred where consumers can't readily see them - behind the walls.

Plumbing pipe materials, for instance, have changed throughout the years, although not as often as one might expect. Early American settlers knew no other building material other than wood, primarily because it was so plentiful in the New

World. So America's earliest plumbing systems were constructed from bored-out logs. By the early 1800s, wood proved to be inefficient and could not keep up with the demands of urban growth. Iron pipe soon became the norm until after World War I when copper piping became popular. Although copper held up better than its wood predecessor, it too demonstrated longevity problems. Over the years, numerous reports and articles documented premature failures in copper systems that could not hold up against aggressive water and/or soil conditions.

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Yet it wasn't just the piping materials that have been improved over the years. Other design changes and product upgrades have also taken place even though they might not always be seen. Pressure balancing valves, for instance, today adjust to change hot and cold pressure effectively to maintain a relatively consistent temperature even if the toilet is flushed while someone else is taking a shower. Other anti-scald products are also available on the market that prevent scalding water from reaching end-point devices. These products have settings that automatically regulate maximum water temperature.

As conservation has made its way into kitchens, baths and laundry rooms, flow-restricting products have also found their way on the market, including low-flow toilets that are designed to minimize water waste. Newer, dual flush technology has also been introduced to adjust water flow as necessary.

Other late 20th century innovations were a little more obvious, including the single-handle faucet, one-piece tub and shower units, and pulsating showerheads all designed to make the bathing experience more convenient and comfortable.

For more information about today's latest plumbing methods and materials, visit www.flowguardgold.com

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Coosing the right tool for the job

(ARA) - In the beginning, there was the shovel. Then came the pitchfork. And the rake. For decades, homeowners were stuck with basic, multi-purpose tools that attempted many tasks, with mixed results. If a gardener needed a specialized tool designed specifically for weeding, tilling or pruning, they were out of luck.

Times have changed. As innovations advanced, manufacturers began introducing what eventually became a new and growing category in backyard equipment: specialty tools. "Gardening has always been one of the most popular hobbies in the country," says Ron Hazelton, host of the nationally syndicated home improvement show "Ron Hazelton's HouseCalls" and home improvement editor for "Good Morning America."

"Many garden tool companies are developing more effective and unique tools that make the gardening experience much more enjoyable for both beginners and green thumb veterans," he adds.

Today, the category is more popular than ever, and tools designed for specific backyard chores are flying off lawn and garden center shelves. Like the tools laid out for you, homeowners can now select just the right tool for the job. Need to turn fertilizer or peat moss into the soil? Reach for a tiller. Want to loosen soil between rows of plants? Pull out the cultivator. Got to get rid of some dandelions in the backyard? Put the weeder to work.

Hound Dog Products, the industry's top specialty tool manufacturer, began its business with a single tool, the Weed Hound weeder. The company quickly realized that homeowner demand for specific solutions to yard and garden tasks was on the rise, and expanded its line. Today, 10 years after it debuted the Weed Hound, Hound Dog has sold more than two million tools, including the Poop Hound scooper for cleaning up after pets, the Steppin' Edger for cutting a maintained edge along driveways and sidewalks, and the Bulb Hound Garden Planter, which lets gardeners dig holes for planting without bending over.

"It's all about providing simple solutions without having to rely on a lot of additional expertise or knowledge to get the job done," says Hound Dog Products president Michael Miller. "Folks expect to be able to reach for exactly the right tool for a job,

when we do, as often as possible, we talk to the customer to find out how we can modify our tools to better reinforce them down the road. Homeowners expect us to provide a long-lasting solution to any backyard challenge, and that's our mission everyday."



Choosing the right specialty tool for the job, like the Garden Cultivator from Hound Dog Products, can help make life in the backyard a breeze.

whether it's at the office, in the kitchen, or in the workshop. And now the backyard is no exception. Specialty lawn and garden tools have the expertise built right in."

According to Hazelton, homeowners are hungry for the latest product or tool for backyard chores. "People are time-starved," he says. "They're looking for quality products that are not only innovative, but well built. They want to know that the tools they buy are going to perform well and be around for a long time."

And manufacturers are getting the message. Hound Dog offers a hassle-free warranty on all of their tools. Simply put, if it breaks, they replace it. "We manufacture all of our products to stand up to just about anything a homeowner can dish out, so we rarely need to send out replacement products," Miller says. "But

The bottom line: Expertise and experience are important elements when tending to a backyard. But choosing the right tool for the job will make all the difference in determining whether you'll have a lush, thriving lawn and garden each spring.

For more information about specialty backyard tools, visit www.hound-dog.com or call (800) MY-HOUND.

Here are five tips for choosing and using the right backyard tools from the experts at specialty tool manufacturer Hound Dog Products:

Assess your needs. Don't go out and buy a whole line of specialty tools without having a specific use in mind for each tool first. If your yard is being taken over by dandelions, invest in a weeder. If you want to clean up after your dog, pick up a pooper scooper. But the last thing you want to do is to buy a bunch of tools you'll rarely use.

Listen to your neighbors. Give plenty of weight to a friend or neighbor's review of a tool. Better yet, borrow somebody else's backyard gadget and try it out before you buy. If it works for you, purchase your own.

Pick well-built products. Choose tools that look and feel heavy-duty, with lifetime warranties if possible, from a manufacturer you trust. You don't want to waste your time hassling with trying to get a refund after a flimsy tool breaks as soon as you put it to work.

Think about storage. Make sure you've got a clean, accessible area set aside to store your lawn and garden equipment. If you cram your tools in a dirty corner of a shed or garage, you'll be less likely to use them.

Don't neglect maintenance. To ensure long life, keep your tools clean. Rinse them off after each use, and apply a thin coating of oil to moving metal parts before you store them for the winter.



Stretch the useful life of your outdoor power equipment

(ARA) - The fundamentals of getting outdoor handheld power equipment ready for another season are simple and straightforward: a new spark plug, new fuel and air filters. Fill the tank with fresh fuel/oil premix and go to work. Equipment manufacturers make it even easier by providing the correct parts in a single kit, available from any dealer.

There is a return on this investment of dollars, time and attention. "Owners who observe the proper preventive maintenance and servicing procedures routinely get 10 and 15 years out of their engines," says Brian Chick, service manager at Golden Eagle Distributing in Rocklin, Calif., distributor for ECHO Outdoor Power Equipment. "Those who neglect their equipment get two or three years from it and then blame the product."

There's been a quiet revolution in the industry over the past decade as manufacturers seek to lower engine emissions. Modern handheld equipment runs cleaner than older models. Today's engines also have more power, greater reliability, and lower operating costs. But the key to maintaining these benefits is that equipment owners must sweat the small stuff. Take spark plugs, for example. Today's engines run hotter and leaner (more air and less fuel in each combustion cycle), so spark plugs must have the correct heat range to reduce the risk of engine damage.

Fuel and air filters are similarly sophisticated, despite their mundane appearance. It's not just the physical size and shape that matter. The filter media and substrate are designed for specific applica-

tions. The wrong filter may collapse in use, it may clog up prematurely, or it may allow particles into the engine where they can cause damage.

Getting the right parts isn't as simple as knowing the manufacturer and model. Technology is advancing so quickly that many engines experience "running changes," where specifications are altered in the midst of production. Add the serial number to the list of data your dealer will need in providing you with the right parts for your equipment.

Even with today's high-tech engines, many traditional procedures should still be observed. Motor mounts have small elastomer "doughnuts" to isolate vibration. These must be inspected for cracks and to ensure that they're still soft and pliable. Periodic lubrication of the gearbox, driveshaft, and other components is still required. These services are usually best left to a dealer's service department.

One traditional procedure homeowners can perform is cleaning grass, dirt, wasp nests and other debris from the engine's cooling fans. Another is to use only quality oil that meets the manufacturer's specifications as stated in the owner's manual. That oil should be mixed with fresh gas of 89 or higher octane that has no more than 10 percent ethanol. Never use fuel that's more than 60 days old in a small engine. "The two biggest problems with small engines are that owners try to run them with old fuel in them, and they don't keep them clean," says Chick.

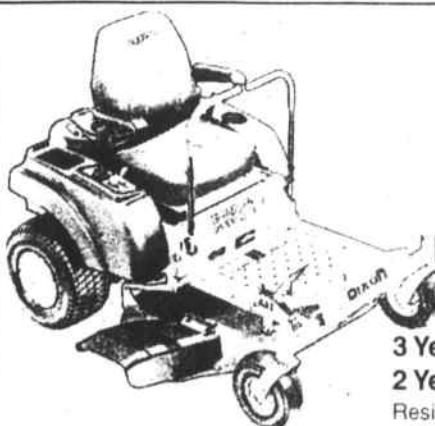
attuned to their machine's performance. Poor performance of the cutter attachment and an overheating clutch indicate worn clutch shoes, which must then be replaced. Hard starting, a rough idle, a reluctance to accelerate or a tendency to die can indicate fuel system problems. Carbon deposits on the spark arrestor screen indicate stale gas or other problems. Again, the equipment should be brought to the dealer for complete diagnostics and repair.

Safety is one tradition worth preserving, says Andy Sadlon, service manager of Florida Outdoor Equipment in Orlando, Fla., who trains dealers to service ECHO equipment. "Stop using the equipment immediately if you see or smell fuel. Make sure the safety devices, such as chain brakes on chainsaws, are in working order. Make sure the attachments, string heads or blades are properly secured. Use personal protective equipment, such as goggles, gloves, and hearing protectors. Don't wear loose-fitting clothing. Consult the list of safety precautions in your owner's manual."

Al Herron, service education director at Texas Outdoor Power Distributing in Austin, Texas, who also trains dealers for ECHO, adds two more safety considerations. "If the unit has been running until it's good and hot, let it run at idle for a minute or so before shutting it off. This helps cool the engine, and it helps clear and cool the exhaust system. Also, operators should pause periodically to rest. Being tired and fatigued can cause errors and injury."

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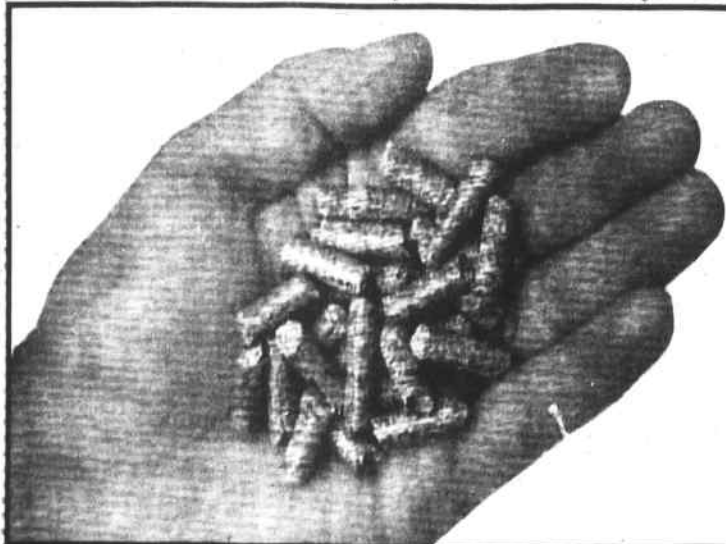
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When remodeling your kitchen, designers say be true to yourself

(ARA) - It's time to remodel your kitchen . . . time to start tearing pictures out of magazines, calculating your budget, interviewing designers and picking a color scheme, right?

Wrong, according to many designers, who say customers often dive right into the details of their remodels, before they stop to really know themselves, their needs or how they really use their kitchens.

"The kitchen is the heart of the home . . . and that's what it's really about . . . your heart, your family," said Ellen Cheever, Ellen Cheever, ASID, a well known kitchen designer, industry educator and writer for Kitchen and Bath Design News. "People tend to get too focused on that certain cherry cabinet, or that particular granite countertop when they're planning for a remodel. Before they do all that, they should be asking themselves how they want the kitchen to feel when they are done. It may seem like a silly question, but it's the key to getting it right," she added.

If you ask yourself the really hard questions first, smaller questions like what kind of cabinet storage or appliance to buy will just fall into place, say designers. Before you sign those home equity loan papers, ask yourself these questions:

What mood do you want to set?—Do you prefer the serenity of a modern, sleek kitchen, or the happy, cozy clutter of a more traditional kitchen? How you answer will determine which path you take at this important design crossroads.

"You can get a good sense for how different kitchens might feel by visiting our Web site, www.decoracabinets.com, where you can build your dream kitchen right online," said Jan Aufderhar, marketing executive for Decora Cabinets, a line of high-end, semi-custom cabinetry sold through a network of 1,000 dealers nationwide. "You can experiment with a lot of different looks, doorstyles and finishes. For

instance, we've developed new lines of very modern, euro-style

pop, Aufderhar said. Or, they are eliminating their soffits

than one cook at a time. Would you rather have your guests

age and younger are telling us that they love to eat gourmet

housekeeper?—Do you leave crumbs on the counter and dishes in the sink, or are you a neatnik? How you answer should affect the materials you choose, Cheever said. "If you are naturally neat, then the sky's the limit. But if you're not, there are materials you should definitely avoid like tile floors with hard to clean grout, stainless steel appliances that show every fingerprint, and painted cabinets that highlight every drip. Instead, choose vinyl or urethane hardwood floors, wood tone cabinets, and stainless steel alternative finishes that don't show fingerprints," Cheever said.

What are your favorite things to do in the kitchen?—Do you love to linger over the morning paper with a pot of gourmet coffee? Then an investment in a built-in coffee maker and special cabinets for storing your mugs and coffees makes sense. Do you love to bake? Then putting in a lowered marble counter space just for kneading, outfitted underneath with special drawers for your special baking pans, would be well worth the effort. Do you kid like to do homework while you are making dinner? Then a special homework perch with raised kitchen counter might be the answer, with special cubbies for storing their backpacks. "Cabinets today are so specialized, you can create your own personal activity zones," Cheever said.



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cabinets that have very clean lines. When you decide on that, other decisions become easier. Customers who like the modern look are also very likely to invest in our interior cabinet storage products that get the clutter out of sight, then choose glass tile backsplashes, steel or glass front appliances and stained concrete floors, to continue the streamlined look," Aufderhar said.

Customers who like the warm and cozy look are buying traditional cabinets, and using accent cabinets with painted red or black finishes for extra

around the upper cabinets, and using the tops of the cabinets to display their favorite plants and collectibles.

How much activity do you really want in your kitchen?—"Nearly everyone says they want an 'open kitchen' today, where the great room, dining room and kitchen flow into each other. But you can design it to be so open that it can drive you crazy," Cheever said. Do

you want your kids or guests to chop vegetables right beside you? Then you need a "work around" island or counter space that's designed for more

just watch you cook while you entertain? Then you need a "barrier" island or counter—a taller counter space, perhaps with bar stools, which will allow your kitchen companions to stay close to the action, but out of your way, Cheever said.

Do you like to cook and entertain, or entertain without cooking?—When you invite guests over, do you make every little thing from scratch, or are you more likely to just make the main dish and fill in the rest with potluks or items from the gourmet deli? "A lot of our customers that are Generation X

food and entertain, but they are finding new, more productive ways to do it," said Aufderhar. "I think that's also feeding a trend towards not having so many upper cabinets for storing food and extra dishes. The cabinets they do buy are more likely to have special shelves and pullouts that make them work harder with less space."

If you are a gourmet cook with bulging cabinets, then investing in that butler's pantry, extra spice drawer or wrought iron pot rack makes sense, Aufderhar said.

Be honest—are you a good

But perhaps the most important thing to remember, experts agree, is there is only one right way to design a kitchen your way. "Just because other homes in your neighborhood have granite counters doesn't mean you need them. Maybe you'd be happier spending that money on a wine chiller or a walk-in pantry. Put your money where your heart is, and you'll ultimately make all the right remodeling decisions," Cheever said.

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Turning the tomato-growing world upside-down

(ARA) - Tomatoes are by far the most grown fruit (yes, "fruit," not "vegetable") in home gardens around the world. Nutritionists and health professionals tout the anti-oxidant health benefits of the fruit. Clearly, Americans love tomatoes. Yet most gardeners aren't very enthusiastic about the amount of work involved in successfully growing tomatoes.

It isn't enough to just plant, fertilize and water tomatoes. You must also sucker them, fight off a multitude of garden pests and animals (who love tomatoes as much as we do), support them with stakes and cages, tie them, and then continually re-tie the plants as they grow. Weeding also is a constant battle. Is it any wonder so many gardeners have thrown in the towel on their battle to produce beautiful and bountiful tomato plants?

Well, if you're a gardener who's developed a love-hate relationship with your tomato plants, things could be looking up for you. Literally. By planting your tomatoes upside down and hanging them (from a deck or patio overhang, clothes line, tree, etc.), you can eliminate nearly all the work and risk involved in growing them the traditional way.

"Americans are rediscovering gardening," says Bill Felkner, inventor of the Topsy Turvy Upside Down Tomato Planter. "People love to grow tomatoes, but what can you do if you don't have the space or time for a full-size garden, or your subdivision prohibits gardens?" Felkner, an avid gardener and passionate tomato advocate, invested three years developing a planter that would address and solve all those issues.

The planter is garnering a lot of high-profile attention. "Time" magazine just named the Topsy Turvy "One of the Most Amazing Inventions of 2005," and "Reader's Digest" included it in the magazine's "Best of America" feature. Home and Garden Television also showcased the Topsy Turvy on the cable channel's "I Want That!" program, which highlights innovative products for the home and garden.

Here's how the Topsy Turvy addresses the most common issues of tomato growing:

Room to Grow

For years, people who have no place for a garden - apartment dwellers, senior citizens in residential centers, homeowners with small lots or subdivision restrictions - have tried growing

access and warming."

Thwarting Pests

By taking the tomatoes airborne, you remove them from proximity with all ground-dwelling pests. Common tomato foes like cutworms, ground insects and fungus can't reach the plants or fruit. Hang them high enough and they'll also be safe from most animals as well. The Topsy Turvy also eliminates the need to weed since each plant is contained in its own, weed-free environment. The gardener can also sucker, water and fertilize while standing up.

What's at Stake

Since most varieties of tomato grown in American gardens are of the "indeterminate" type - meaning they will continue to grow as long as the season and space allow - they generally have to be tied to stakes to support the weight of the plant and fruit. As the plant grows, the gardener must continually adjust the ties, and sometimes the stakes, to allow for the growth.

Hanging the tomato upside-down eliminates the need for stakes and ties. It also promotes greater stem strength in the plant. The same suckering you would do on an in-ground plant has even greater benefits for your hanging tomato.

Water, Water Everywhere

Adequate watering is probably the single greatest obstacle to growing beautiful tomatoes, Felkner says. Over water a potted tomato and you'll end up with root rot and a dead plant. Water too little - either a potted plant or one in the ground - and your plant will die in the summer sun.

"One of the reasons that it's so hard to adequately water a tomato in the ground is that 85 percent of the water you put on it will never make it to the plant's roots," Felkner says. Evaporation, weeds and run off all steal water away from the plant.

The patented Topsy Turvy uses simple absorbent containment to help control the flow of water to the roots. This means when your plant is still small, you will probably need to water it just once a week. Advance to twice a week as the plant grows to medium size, and once it reaches "giant" size, you may have to water every day.

Easy Payoff

More than one lovely ripe tomato has gone rotten waiting for someone to pick it off the vine. Bending over, moving around leaves and vines to find a ripe tomato can be a challenge. The Topsy Turvy allows you to pick the fruits of your labor while standing up.

You should start your Topsy Turvy tomato plant at the same time you would put one in the ground, after all risk of frost is gone. However, because of the planter's many advantages, and better exposure to sun, water and nutrients, you can expect to harvest your crop as much as two weeks earlier than in traditional gardens.

"This is a planter, not a growing machine," Felkner cautions. "You still have to water and fertilize your tomato plant properly. But by giving you a way to grow your tomato plant upside down, we've made all these critical chores so much easier and the payoff sooner."

To learn how to grow beautiful tomatoes with less work, visit www.topsyturnvys.com, or call (865) 241-1611.

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The Topsy Turvy Upside Down Tomato Planter eliminates much of the work and risk from tomato growing.

tomatoes in pots. Put them on your deck or patio, and they will either not have enough room to grow, or if they do grow well, they'll over-run your living space.

Hanging the tomato on a deck or patio gives the tomato extra room to grow and keeps it out of your way at the same time. "The tomato actually thrives growing upside-down," Felkner points out. "One hundred percent of water and nutrients are absorbed, with no lost runoff. The roots directly receive the water and nutrients. And because the Topsy Turvy is in the air, the tomato enjoys full sun

Study shows tile is least costly flooring



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(ARA) - If you'd been born in the early days of tile (around 4,000 years ago) you could never have afforded the luxury. Once reserved for royalty and the wealthy, ceramic tile is now the most economical type of flooring available, according to an independent study commissioned by the Tile Council of North America.

The study, released in early 2006, compared all types of ceramic tile, including quarry, porcelain and mosaic, to 12 other flooring types such as hardwood, laminates, concrete, stone, carpet, terrazzo, vinyl and poured epoxy. Over the lifetime of the average floor, tile lasts longer, costs less per year to maintain, and less overall than any other type of flooring, the study revealed.

"Is it any wonder that tile has long been the product of choice for anyone who wants a beautiful, durable design element in their home?" asks Tamara Christian, president of National Trade Productions. Christian's company manages Coverings, the annual exposition showcasing the newest trends in ceramic tile and natural stone. "Tile has always been popular, and

homeowners are finding increasingly creative ways to use it in their homes."

Commonly used in kitchens and baths, tile can be employed creatively in every room of your house:

* Front door - You've probably seen the tile house numbers that hang near the front door. But what about framing the door itself with tile? The technique can convey stately elegance or playful whimsy, depending on the type and color tile you choose.

* Entryway - Dress up a foyer with a colorful tile mosaic. Or, welcome your guests with polished porcelain tile for extra durability and beauty in this high-traffic area of the house.

* Window seat - Your family's favorite spot for reading, can also be a prime snacking location. Tile makes a window seat easy to clean and more decorative.

* Media room - Not everyone views a 72-inch TV screen as a thing of beauty. You can turn a room-dominating screen into a design statement by adding tile. For wall-mounted flat screens, consid-

er a tile frame. Natural stone can be a perfect foil to high tech equipment when used to define and accent an alcove for video equipment.

* Exercise room - Top spas around the world know the value of tile to enhance workout areas. The flexibility and ease of cleaning make tile a smart choice for areas where people will be sweating and showering.

* Dining room - More than one picture-perfect dining room has been spoiled by a spill on the carpet. Tile offers superior ease of cleaning and exceptional design flexibility in this showcase area of the house.

* Family room - Another high traffic area of the house that benefits from the durability and beauty of tile is the family room. For maximum impact, consider covering the entire floor with a rich ceramic tile. Or, protect the most used areas by placing a large tile area in the middle of the room and carpeting the perimeter. Tile also enhances the beauty, safety and ease of cleaning for the fireplace and hearth.

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Unseen benefits of energy efficient windows and doors

(ARA) - When it comes to protecting your home from the damaging effects of the sun,

windows and doors with Low-E glass block most UV rays - the invisible part of the spectrum

windows the strength needed to stand up to impacts caused by storms, and it also filters the

health hazard."

While UV resistance is a valuable collateral benefit of energy efficient windows and doors, there are practical benefits too. Savings for a typical home from replacing single-pane windows with Energy Star qualified windows ranges from \$125 to \$340 a year, depending on the region, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

For homeowners and builders, here are a few basic tips for selecting energy efficient win-

dual-pane units, which insulate the home from both hot and cold weather. Using both Low-E and insulating glass will reduce home energy costs.

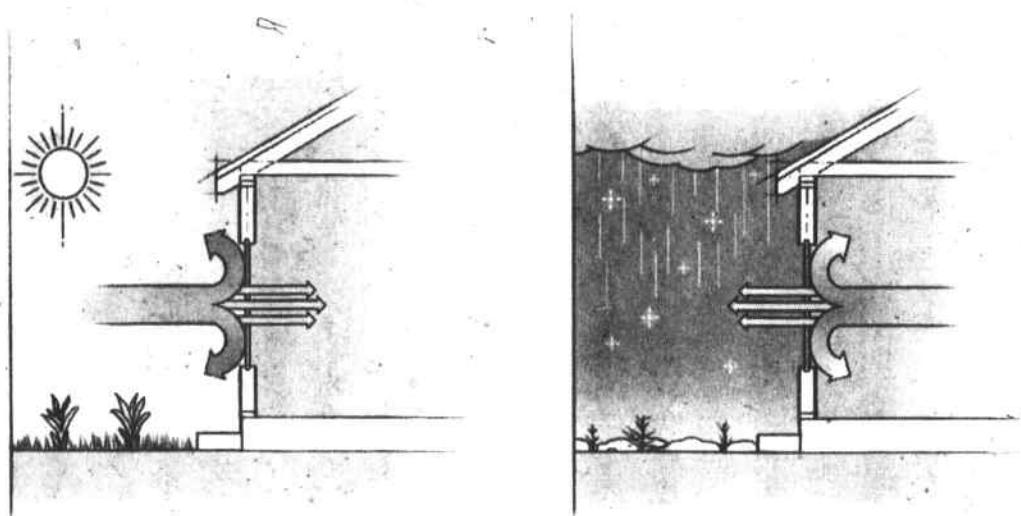
2. Make Low-E glass a must-have. That's because Low-E glass on windows, door transoms and sidelights controls solar heat gain - a major contributor to air-conditioning costs. Low-E glass can also protect against heat loss in the winter.

3. Don't overlook the role of

rier to energy exchange.

4. Focus on efficiency, not bells and whistles. Window manufacturers achieve efficiency in different ways, from Low-E glass to argon gas-filled insulating glass. The bottom line is to make sure the products are tested and rated for efficiency using industry standards, no matter what technology is employed. Look for the Energy Star label appropriate for your region.

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what you can't see - invisible ultraviolet (UV) rays - can definitely impact you. Thankfully, there's an easy and practical solution that provides built-in "sunblock" for the home.

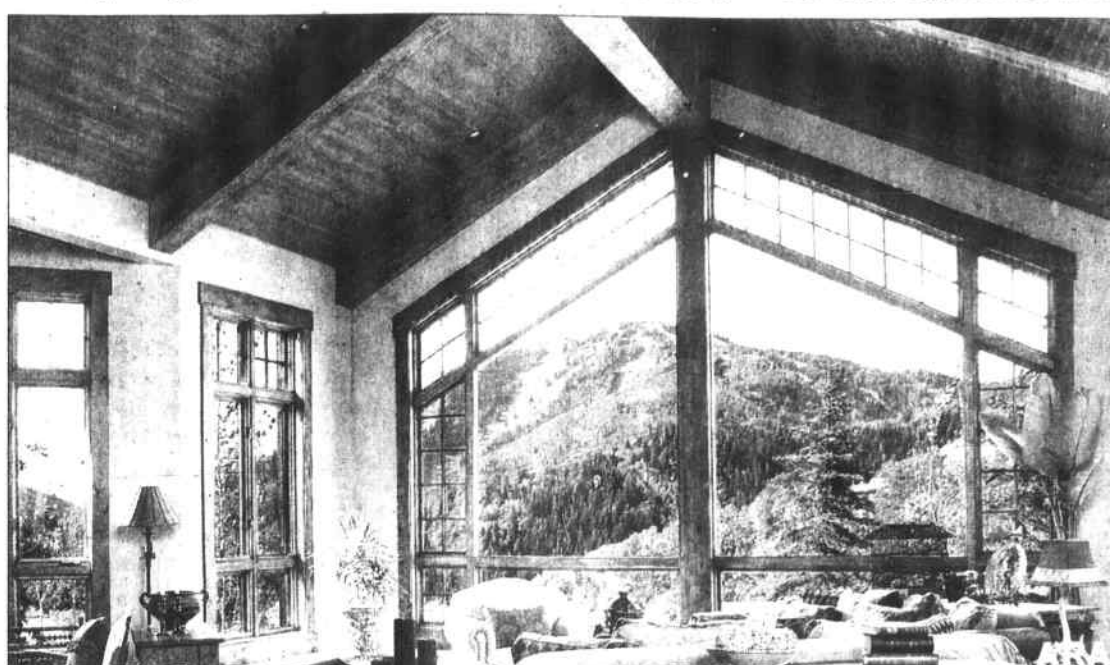
Most homeowners know that upgrading windows and doors can help them save money and conserve energy. However, a lesser-known benefit of energy efficient windows and doors is their proven resistance to harmful UV rays. For example,

that causes premature fading of furnishings and is linked to health hazards like skin cancer. That's because the coating on Low-E glass both absorbs heat and reflects the sun's light back into the outdoors.

For the ultimate in UV protection and energy efficiency, windows with laminated glass can block almost all harmful UV rays. Laminated glass has an interlayer sandwiched between two window panes. This gives

sun's light, admitting the desirable, visible spectrum and blocking harmful, invisible UV rays.

"Homeowners are becoming increasingly sensitive to interior fading and wear and tear," said Brian Hedlund, product marketing manager for JELD-WEN windows. "It's not only because they want to keep the carpet and drapes from fading, but also because UV exposure is perceived as an increasing



dows and doors.

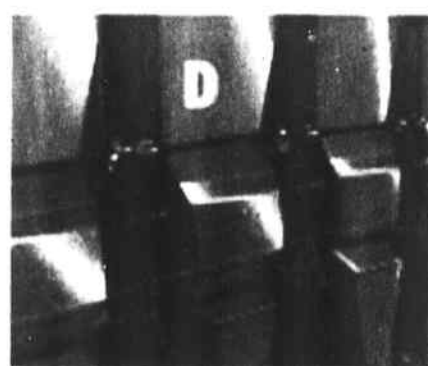
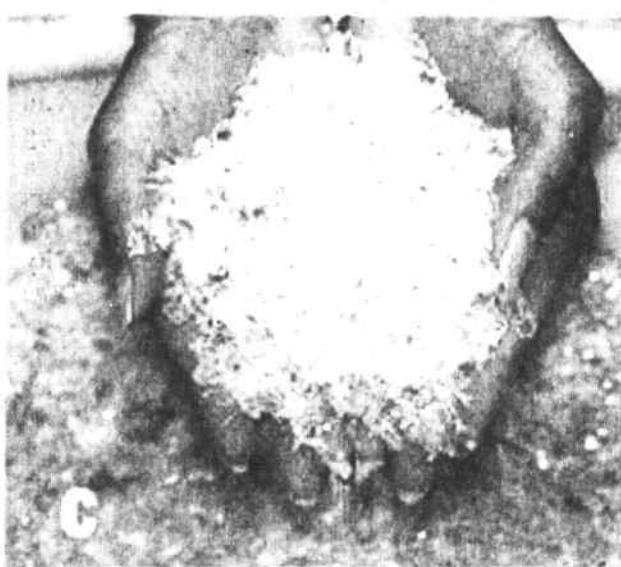
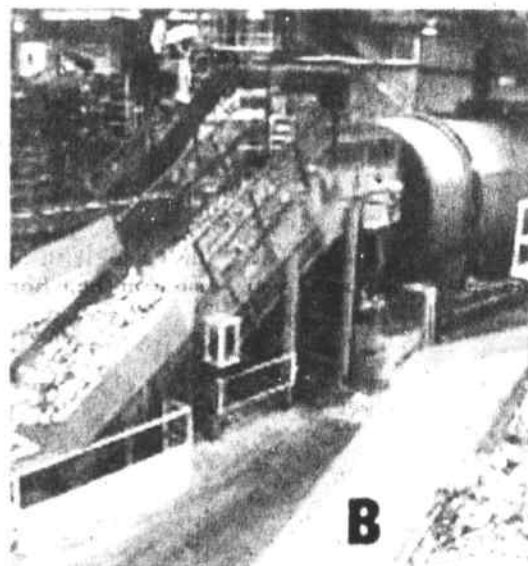
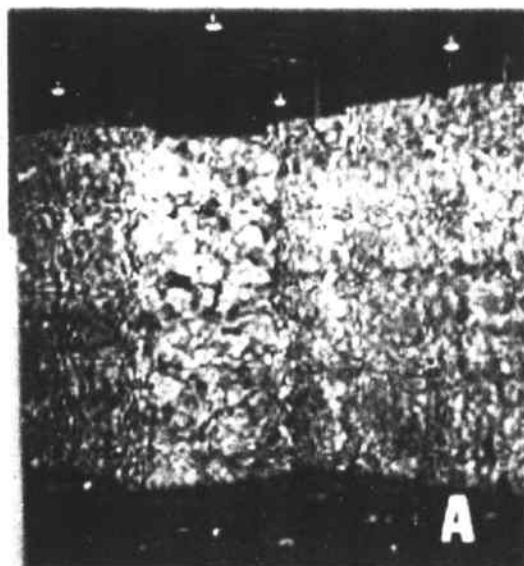
1. Consider upgrading outdated windows and doors. Replace older single-pane windows with

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Year-round home energy saving tips

(ARA) - With spring in the air, many Americans are ready to breathe a sigh of relief at the thought of warmer weather and lower utility bills. However, a newly released energy report paints a chillier picture. The U.S. Energy Information Administration released its Annual Energy Outlook 2006 (AEO2006) report, which evaluates and projects a wide range of trends and issues that could have major implications for U.S. energy markets through the year 2030, if Americans do not adopt more energy-efficient lifestyles.

One of the trends mentioned in the report notes that beginning this year, total energy consumption is projected to steadily increase every year through 2030. As case in point, energy prices jumped five percent in January according to the U.S. Labor Department's consumer price index.

A majority of consumer energy costs go toward home heating and fueling our vehicles. The Alliance to Save Energy estimates that today over 40 percent of Americans' energy bills goes toward home heating. Combine that with gasoline prices being 25 percent higher than last year and you have a formula for increased energy costs year-round.

In an effort to promote year-round energy efficiency, the Alliance to Save Energy web site, www.ase.org, offers consumers a variety of simple energy saving tips including:

1. Turning down the thermostat by just one degree can reduce home heating energy costs by four percent, which can be between \$30 and \$60 a year, depending on the fuel being used to heat the home.
2. Plug leaks or gaps in win-

dows and doors with caulk or other materials.

3. Installing proper insulation, especially in the attic and crawl spaces, can reduce household energy costs from \$70 to \$460 per year.

4. Closing vents in unoccupied rooms and using small space heaters to heat occupied areas can save a significant amount of energy and money. There is usually about 80 percent of space that is not being used at any given time in the home.

5. Set the water heater at 120 degrees.

6. Use pipe insulation to insulate the first six to ten feet of the hot water supply pipe.

7. Washing clothes in cold water can save households up to \$63 a year.

8. Using a programmable thermostat can help consumers reduce their home heating bills by \$35 to \$230 a year.

9. Replacing the four most used bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs can save households about \$195 over the lifetime of the bulbs.

10. Purchase new heating and cooling equipment with the Energy Star label.

Rinnai Corporation, the world's largest gas appliance manufacturer, has been at the forefront of the energy conservation issue. Following passage last August by Congress of President Bush's Energy Bill, the company launched a Web site, www.tankless-tax-credit.com, to educate consumers on ways in which they can benefit from a variety of tax credits for installing energy-efficient products in their homes such as tankless water heaters, windows, insulation, doors, roofs and heating and cooling equipment.

"We are committed to providing consumers with the education and resources needed to make individual, year-round, energy-smart decisions that will in turn change our country's course and provide for a safer, more secure tomorrow," says Ervin Cash, senior vice president of Rinnai North America. "Becoming energy efficient does not require making huge sacrifices, but it does involve each one of us doing our part by taking advantage of the energy efficient technologies available today."

Rinnai's tankless water heaters provide a never-ending supply of hot water while simultaneously reducing energy consumption and operating costs by up to 70 percent over standard storage tank water heaters. Unlike antiquated water tanks that heat and reheat water 24 hours a day, today's tankless water heaters only heat water when it senses a demand from an open hot water source. When the hot water tap is closed, the system automatically shuts off saving consumers money and energy since they don't have to pay to heat water that is not being used. And now, thanks to the Energy Bill, consumers can receive a one-time tax credit of \$300 specifically toward the full purchase price of a high-efficiency tankless water heater such as those manufactured by Rinnai.

Combining simple energy saving steps with high-efficiency products can equal year-round energy savings without compromising luxury or convenience in the home. For more information visit, www.foreverhotwater.com.

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New home improvements help seniors

(SPM Wire) As more Americans seek to live at home in their golden years, home remodelers are coming up with innovative ways to modify homes to meet senior needs.

Indeed, the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) is encouraging consumers to take proactive steps to modify their homes as they age. With careful remodeling, homeowners can remain in their residences throughout their maturing years.

"Aging-in-place means living in one's home safely, independently and comfortably, regardless of age or ability level. As Americans get older, we know the vast majority would rather live in their own home than in an assisted living facility," said Don Novak, Chairman of the NAHB's Remodelers Council.

Basic alterations can make it easier and more affordable to carry out daily activities, such as bathing, cooking or climbing stairs, and can improve a

home's overall safety.

Projects for aging-in-place remodeling vary from the installation of shower grab bars or adjustments of countertop heights, to private elevators and first-floor master suites. Since professional modifications are often barely noticeable to visitors, homeowners can enjoy their home safely and without any institutional feel.

For more information on aging-in-place, seniors and their families can consult two Web sites developed by the Aging In Place Council and the National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association: www.naipc.org, along with www.seniorsafehome.com. The two Web sites provide information on design ideas, useful products and how to find them, and professionals who can help homeowners plan and implement home modifications. An information booklet also can be downloaded.

To meet the demand of a changing population, the NAHB Remodelers Council has also created a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS) designation program - the only program that teaches remodelers how to modify homes for the aging-in-place market. CAPS designees are specifically trained how to evaluate a homeowner's needs and implement a project in a professional, aesthetically pleasing way.

More than 800 professional remodelers have completed the education requirements for CAPS since 2002. Consumers interested in finding a CAPS trained home remodeler can visit www.nahb.org/remodel on the Internet.

The NAHB Remodelers Council represents 14,000 remodeling industry members of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and incorporates 160 local councils in 43 states.

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Deck out your home with enhanced living space

Home improvement has become one of the nation's favorite pastimes. Every day millions tune in to watch T.V. gurus work their magic - sometimes to extremes.

But when it comes to real life, most Americans operate within a budget and evaluate their home improvements based on cost-effectiveness. One growing trend is an emphasis on outdoor living spaces, where families find usable space and a new venue for decorating and design.

"A nice deck or patio doesn't cost nearly as much as adding indoor space and yet it's a great addition to a home," says Chelsea Gardner, a landscape designer who writes about outdoor decorating and entertaining.

"I'm seeing more homeowners who want improvements that enhance their lifestyle, and decks give you great options for entertaining, relaxing, and spreading out. With today's wide range of deck and patio products you can add on a signature environment using creative design and interesting accessories," says Dave Bielicki, owner of Decks Atlanta.

Bielicki notes that today's decks have become much more than wooden platforms attached to the back of a house. They are designer-inspired living spaces, where comfortable furniture, functional lighting, and decorative balusters make them an attractive, multi-purpose area for families.

Kelly Jones, founder of

Deckorators, a leader in deck rail options and accessories, says their newest items appeal to the homeowner who wants more than just place to plop the charcoal grill and lawn chairs.

Included on his list of best sellers are stylized baroque balusters of maintenance-free aluminum and view expanding options made of glass. The company's "Scenic Series" of glass balusters comes in two styles - the Frontier, a simple rectangular design with beveled edges, and the Contour, a curvaceous figure-eight design. Both are available in clear or tinted versions.

"When you sit on your deck, you're actually at eye level with the rails, so it makes sense to make the balusters a focal point," Jones says.

Even if a new "designer" deck is not in the budget, adding balusters, postcaps, or centerpieces can give a tired deck a brand new look. New balusters are so easy to install that do-it-yourselfers can make dramatic upgrades in their existing decks over a weekend. Jones says virtual design tools, like the one on the Deckorators Web site (www.deckorators.com), make it possible to see just how different a deck can look with some dramatic updating.

Sometimes even the "perfect home" with lots of interior space feels different when the weather warms up. Cheryl and Richard Basanti of Naperville, Ill. moved into their house in the winter, and when spring arrived they

realized they lacked outdoor space to entertain and keep an eye on the children playing outside.

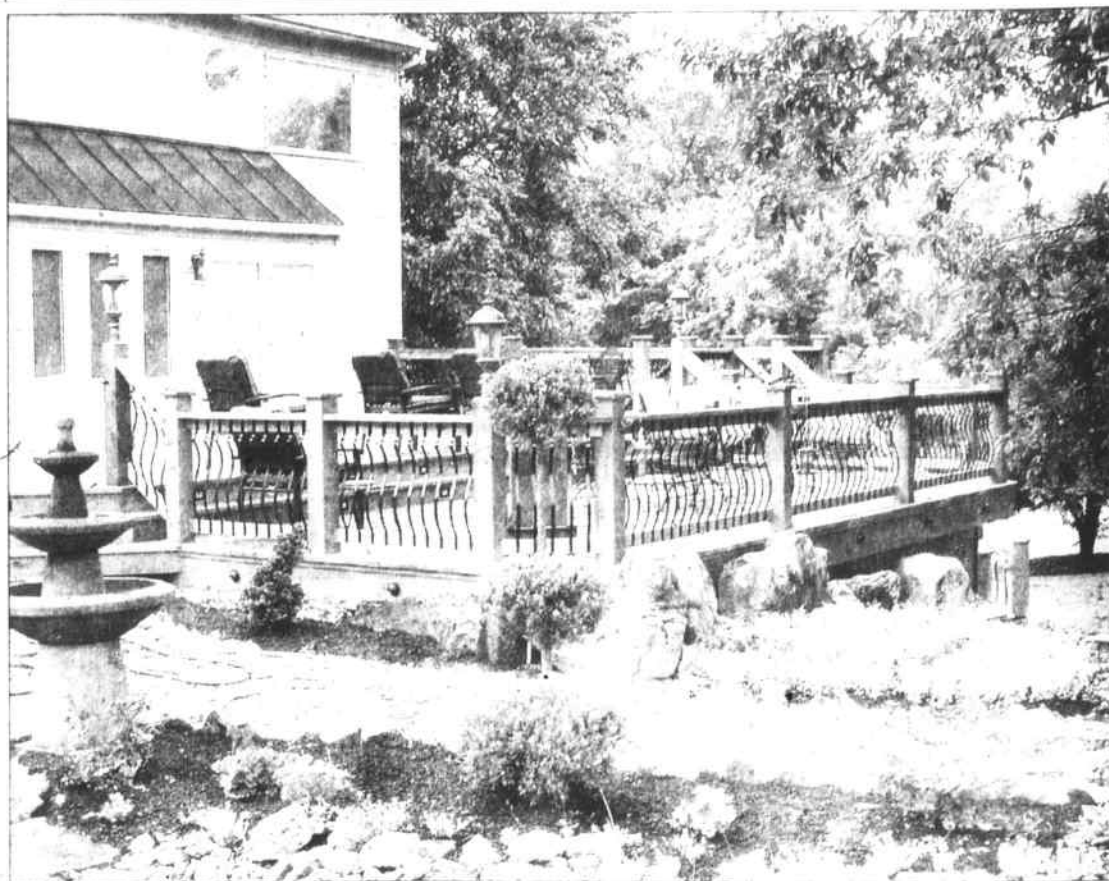
"Our house had a small deck, but it was not very functional. It sat up high on our house and offered no privacy from our neighbors," Cheryl says.

The Basantis hired a contractor and converted their old deck into a multi-level entertainment space, taking advantage of the slope of their land to create privacy and square footage. Today, Cheryl says her deck, which includes attractive designer balusters and matching post-caps, gets as much use - and compliments - as their inside space.

"Remodeling your home for financial reasons has actually become more of a gamble than an investment," says financial planning expert Viktor Szucs, a certified financial planner with Quest Capital Management in Dallas. "It's always best to invest in enhancements for yourself rather than for resale purposes."

Although expensive media rooms and gymnasium-sized master suites may be popular items for wealthy homeowners, a new deck or renovation of an existing one makes sense for a broader range of people.

"Remodeling Magazine" says decks are expected to remain a top project for homeowners interested in adding value, space and return on investment.



When it comes to adding living space to an existing home, many homeowners find that outdoor living areas are a cost-effective option. This deck, designed by Mark Tabor of Stahlschmidt Construction in Florissant, Missouri, offers nearly 1000 square feet of living area. Photo courtesy of deckorators.com

Protect your deck for years to come

(SPM Wire) Cruise through any neighborhood in the U.S. and you're likely to find more than just a few outdoor decks. In fact, decks have become more popular than ever before and can provide decades of use, provided they are well maintained.

To combat the damaging effects of weather and the discoloration caused by grease, dirt, moss, algae and other plants, your deck should be properly cleaned and sealed.

Throughout the year, keep an eye on your deck. Brush off fallen leaves and other debris so organic materials don't rot and leave mildew. If your deck surface is near the ground and air circulation is limited, you might want to consider covering the soil with a polyethylene barrier topped with decorative rock to prevent moisture damage underneath.

If it is time to apply a stain, it's important to remove existing deck coatings and start with a fresh surface. There are a number of commercial cleaners available, however oxygen bleach is one of the safest, as it is non-toxic, safe for plants and doesn't harm wood nor remove its color. Note that chlorine bleaches (or sodium hypochlorite) if used improperly can kill vegetation that surrounds your deck, remove natural color from your wood and accelerate corrosion of nails.

And be careful if using a high-pressure washing device, as it can easily erode the soft, light-colored wood fibers if not used properly.

Whichever cleaning process you decide on, make sure the deck is completely dry before applying stain. If you want your deck's natural wood

color to shine through, you will want to use a clear stain. Note that you typically have to reapply a clear stain every 12 to 18 months. If you use a semi-transparent or tinted stain, you should only have to re-stain every three or four years.

Consult a trusted professional about which stain is right for you.

Keep in mind that with stains you often get what you pay for. So be careful if you're looking to save money, as it could result in having to reapply stain sooner than with a higher quality product.

Extend the life of your deck and continue to enjoy it for years to come by taking proper care of it today. After all, there are worse ways to spend a nice day than working outside on your deck.

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Remodeling your home with an eye on resale

(SPM Wire) Not all home remodeling projects are created equal when it comes to adding value to your home.

With over \$139 billion being spent in the past year on home improvements, new research indicates that some projects deliver more bang for the buck when it comes to home resale value.

Indeed, kitchen and bathroom remodeling projects are returning more on a homeowner's investment than ever before, according to a new report from the National Association of Realtors (NAR). The report also indicates that homeowners who choose to add attic bedrooms do better than those opting to add upscale master bedroom suites.

Many homeowners who complete midrange bathroom remodels can expect to make money, with the project costing an average of \$10,499, but returning \$10,727, or 102.2 percent. On average, major midrange kitchen remodels cost \$43,862 and return \$39,920, or 91 percent of the costs to remodel.

Nationally, homeowners who add an attic bedroom spend an

average of \$39,188, and on resale, they recoup 93.5 percent of the cost. Master suites, however, do not fare as well, costing \$137,891 on average, but returning only \$110,512 on resale, or approximately 80.1 percent of the remodeling expense.

And the desirability of different remodeling projects varies by region and metropolitan area.

"Local and regional differences in the resale value of remodeling projects are not surprising - the desirability of certain home features varies by neighborhood and is heavily influenced by buyers' expectations in a given area," said 2006 NAR President Thomas M. Stevens. "For example, adding a bathroom to a one-bathroom house in a neighborhood where most homes already have two may not return as much as remodeling an outdated bathroom in that same community."

In the West, window replacements are highly valued, perhaps due in part to insulation and cooling concerns in desert regions, with nearly 103 percent of costs recouped on sale.

Westerners also prefer remodeled kitchens and basements. In this region, for example, a minor midrange kitchen remodel may return 112.3 percent, and a basement remodel is estimated to return 108 percent.

In the Midwest, however, the same kitchen and basement projects return only 85 and 73 percent, respectively. Midwest buyers appreciate homes with updated siding - midrange and upscale siding replacements return 96 and 98 percent of the project costs, respectively. Siding replacement projects fared well at resale in all four regions, likely because new siding is a relatively inexpensive way to refresh a home's curb appeal.

Buyers in the South are partial to upscale bathrooms, which return an average of 98.5 percent of project costs. When considering resale value, however, Southerners may want to think twice about midrange window replacements. This improvement, so popular in the West, only returns an average of 83.7 percent of project costs in the South.

In the East, a midrange attic bedroom addition returns an average of 98.1 percent at resale, but a home office remodel only returns 75 percent. In fact, remodeling projects that involved home offices were among the lowest returns on investment across all four regions.

In the final analysis, however, homeowners who are thinking



about a remodeling project should consider their own needs and desires as well as those of the home's future inhabitants, the NAR stresses.

The new NAR report, entitled the "2005 Cost vs. Value Report," includes information about the resale value of common remodeling projects in 58 U.S. housing

markets.

For a synopsis of the report, interested homeowners can visit the NAR's Web site online at www.REALTOR.org.

What you need to know about wood flooring

by Eric Cohler

(NAPSI)-Whether building a new home or tackling a remodeling project, you can be confident that genuine hardwood flooring will add significantly to the beauty, quality and value of your home. Here's what you need to know about flooring basics:

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Mr. Cohler is a featured designer on HGTV and was described by House Beautiful magazine as one of the "best of the best" in the next wave of interior designers. He was named 1998 and 1999 Designer of the Year by Traditional Home magazine, received the D&D Design Award in 2000 and the IFDANY Circle of Excellence Award in 2004. Engineered hardwood floors are a high-performance product that can be used virtually anywhere.

Tips for remodeling projects that add value to your home

(ARA) - Whether you are planning to sell your home or just want a new look, remodeling can lend one of the greatest returns on your investments and puts your home equity to work for you. The best returns come from updated flooring and remodeled kitchens and bathrooms, which, upon sale of your home, typically recover an average of 90 percent of the costs.

Consider the following tips from the remodeling experts at Tarkett before embarking upon your next remodeling project.

First, make a plan. Have a desired budget in mind and consider your tastes, lifestyle and end goals of either selling or staying in place. If you are remodeling to sell, you might prefer neutrals and universal design elements. Homeowners who chose to remodel and stay in their homes have the freedom to reflect on their own personal preferences and have fun with design and color.

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Once the flooring has been determined, it is time to decide if the bathroom or kitchen make-over takes priority. Since the kitchen is the Grand Central Station of the home, it tends to be one of the most invasive projects, so it is best to start here when making major changes. The most popular updates for the kitchen, aside from flooring, are granite counter tops and new cabinets. Depending on budget, cabinets can be custom built or existing wood can be painted for a lighter, more inspired look. Just adding new cabinet doors and hardware can change the entire look of the room and add value to the home. However, once the cabinets, countertops and floors are given a new look, homeowners tend to want new faucets and sinks as well, so keep this in mind when developing a budget.

As the remodeling process continues, bathrooms are the next project that can update your home. Recent trends have shown that people are spending a large amount of their remodeling dollars on the master bathroom. Extra luxuries such as waterfall showerheads and slate walls are showing up in

older homes and making a statement for resale purposes. Enlarging shower and bathing spaces is a great feature for personal pampering and successfully appealing to potential buyers. Updating fixtures and adding sink vessels to create an elegant and stylish bathroom also increase the value of the remodel project.

Studies reflect that the savvy home owner has realized the value added to the home through remodeling as profits

continue to rise. Choosing the right projects along with quality products ensure investment dollars will continue to work for you throughout the life cycle of your home.

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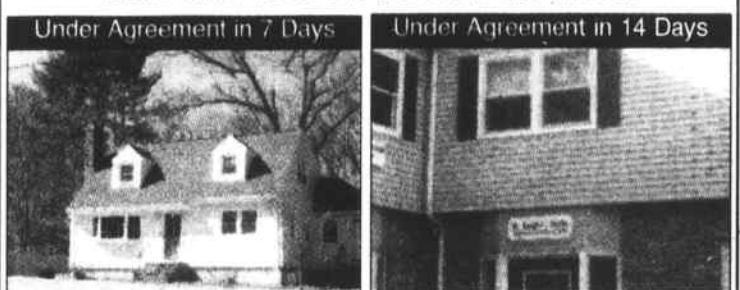
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